

# *Mary Baldwin Bulletin*

ALUMNAE NEWS LETTER

Student  
Government's  
25th  
Anniversary

The English  
Classroom



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President-elect McKenzie and Mrs. McKenzie received a cordial welcome when they paid an unofficial visit to the College in March. Mr. McKenzie spoke informally to the student body and faculty at a morning chapel period; in his brief remarks he emphasized his belief that the small church-related college provides the most adequate training for the hard tasks ahead which will face present-day students in their world.

Seniors, student officers and faculty members had an opportunity to meet Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie at an informal reception, attended also by Alumnae Association officers and Trustees who had arrived for their annual meeting the next day. Included in the McKenzie's busy two days was a survey, made with an eye to future occupancy, of Rose Terrace, "home" after July 1.

#### COMMENCEMENT 1954

May 29, 30 and 31

Reunion Classes, '04, '29, '34, '44, '49 and '53

#### SATURDAY, Alumnae Day

|                         |            |
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| Annual business meeting | 11:30 A.M. |
| Alumnae luncheon        | 1:00 P.M.  |
| Class Day and Pageant   | 4:00 P.M.  |
| Reunion Class suppers   |            |

SUNDAY, Baccalaureate Sermon by Dr. William Ward, pastor  
First Presbyterian Church  
Spartanburg, S. C.

Open House, Activities Building  
Vesper Service

MONDAY, Graduation Exercises, address by Dr. Susan Riley, professor of English  
George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn.

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### Looking Ahead

The Board of Trustees at its March meeting authorized the Buildings and Grounds Committee to proceed with plans for converting the old King's Daughters' Hospital property into a dormitory to house an anticipated increase in the student body. It is hoped that this work can be completed by September 1955. Preliminary plans for alterations of this property had already been submitted by a Charlottesville firm of architects who have now been asked to submit more detailed specifications for both interior and exterior changes. The building will house approximately seventy-five students. The Board also authorized renovation of hallways and the installation of new plumbing in Memorial and Hill Top.

### Cover

Twenty-five years of student government was climaxed with the return of eight former presidents of the Student Government Association. Guests of honor at a banquet in the College dining room were, left to right: Josephine *Hannah* Holt, '44; Betsy Robinson, '55, president-elect; Betty *Curry* Langley, '37; Jeanne Taylor, '54, outgoing president; Jessica Gilliam, '52; Ethel Smeak, '53; Shirley *Black* Barre, '39; Mary Bell *Archer* Mapp, '35; Patricia Hosball, '51; and Ann *Sims* Smith, '45.

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## WRITING AS AN ART

by

CATHERINE P. MIMS

HAVE you heard the story about the English teacher who said to her class, "There are two words you must never use. One of them is 'swell' and the other one is 'lousy'?" She continued with the lesson, but in a few minutes the little girl on the back row who *always* raises her hand, raised her hand, "But, teacher, you didn't tell us what the words are." This delights me, partly because it was Miss Nancy McFarland's story, and to remember it is to remember her smile and laugh.

Another favorite (King's-English-and-he-can-darn-well-have-it-department) comes from Miss Abbie. Once in a shoe repair shop and asked to point out her shoes, she said, "Those are they." The proprietor considered thoughtfully, then said, "Those are they. That means 'That's them'," and proceeded to business.

Well, on whom is the joke? Certainly not on the person who—mindful of tradition, for whatever reason and whether it be in writing critical essays or reading *The Faerie Queene*, struggles to bridge the gaps between slang, colloquial, standard and classical English. "We must be free or die, who speak the tongue/That Shakespeare spake; the faith and morals hold/Which Milton held." I admit these words thrill me. Surely one of the most important things in education is a real appreciation of the English heritage.

One might wise-crack to the effect that this quotation now reads: "Who speak the tongue that Shakespeare speak?" But in spite of some such cynicism, in spite of the fact that—at least according to the bulk of newspaper comment—the rising generation for the last twenty-five years can neither read nor write, I submit that such appreciation *is* achieved to a degree.

But Wordsworth, who spoke so movingly of the "Tradition," also was an innovator, also believed quite firmly in the "Speech of common men." (Or at any rate, *thought* he did.) He said, "A poet is a man speaking to men." And, however you may regret it, when any art ceases to speak the language of living people, it ceases to be art. Although there are many provinces of English as curriculum (grammar, rhetoric, logic, composition, literary history, even "curiosities" of literature); although one must struggle to hector, persuade, wheedle the readers of drugstore dreadfuls into partial admiration of Donne and Dequincey, it is certainly necessary to develop also a sense of art as a *vital personal possession*.

Considered so, English is like painting, sculpture, music. To learn to watch for the shades-of-meaning, the shape, color, sounds of words—separately and in never-ending combinations, whether in the sonnets of Sidney, the macaronies of Ogden Nash, the fantasies of Pogo or the familiar speech of friends. To learn that, with thought and attention to these things in one's own speech and writing, one can produce in

some measure the joy of creation. Surely these two processes are among the *sine qua non* of education.

The *Miscellany* and *Campus Comments* have for years stimulated interest in writing quite independent of text-book and class room. The Library teas, at which books are reviewed for the college and city community, have become an attractive feature of our life. At the last one for, instance, Marian Hollingsworth, a senior English major, talked about *Ben Jonson of Westminster*, and Adele Virtue, a senior biology major, presented *Man, Time and Fossils*. This year, for the first time, at least in many years, we have a Book Club and a Writers Club, about which a good deal could be written.

But I must get to English 331b, usually referred to as "Creative Writing," though its more modest title, "Introduction to the Art of Writing," is more accurate. As far as I'm concerned, it's *fabulous*! You don't have to worry about whether you're behind in the text! You don't have to worry about whether everybody *knows* a decent minimum of *facts*! All you have to do is to try to get people to accept the idea that they have lots of things to say and that it is a very special kind of fun trying to say them. So much fun that you can wear yourself out trying.

I could write a book on the many interesting people who have been in this course and the many interesting sessions we've had. But I would rather close this inadequate sketch with some fragments from informal essays offered at the last exam. The victims were told to prepare for it by walking, loitering, lounging, window-shopping, or whatever else they chose to do *alone*. The first part of the exam was to describe all or any part of that time. It seems to me that these little samples show much better than I can tell, the enjoyment and understanding of words that is an introduction, at least, to art.

Miss Mims . . . "So English is like painting, sculpture, music—to learn to watch for the shades-of-meaning, the shape, color, sounds of words."



I came to the foot of the grass hill which was my destination. I hesitated for a second, then ran all the way to the top. I glanced at my watch. It was five-thirty. The sun was just going down. I couldn't see the sun, but the clouds in the west were colored. They were raving shades of orange. The trees against them were black. It was cold and still and beautiful. I stood for a long time and looked. Then I walked back to the college.

*Elizabeth De Loach, '54*

"Squeek- awk eek- chawk--- groooooo- bam!"

"What cha doin?"

Pause for contemplation. "I'm playin. I got bopped last night."

"Did you? Who bopped you?"

"Marty . . . But I bopped him right back."

I could feel the unfriendly stare of the woman in her fussy old coat and run-over shoes.

"It's the sox," I tho't.

*Elizabeth Robinson, '55*

I would have a hard time trying to express the feeling I had as I walked down the long flight of dingy dormitory steps. I felt like I had wings on my feet and that I was going to fly away. I didn't know where, but I felt I was going, going, going. I opened the heavy door that led to the wonderful outdoor world. I don't think I had thought for a long time how much I really loved the things of nature, but that very minute I was going to have a wonderful experience.

*Alma McCue, '51*

Once in the snow and once in the clear winter cold after the snow had gone away . . . the same place, wonderful for walking by yourself or with a close friend or with someone you want for a close friend. A happy place where you go to chatter and share confidences—never to settle differences.

*Mary Ann Taylor, '54*

The late afternoon sun was behind me. It cast faint shadows of everything that stood in the path of its light. I stopped walking and turned around to gaze at this sun that gave off such a soft light. (It was a winter sun that turned the sky around it from blue to gold and purple and orange.) My thoughts stopped. I could hardly feel myself standing there. I was completely unconscious of everything around me. There was inside me a higness that grew and grew until I felt myself gasp for breath.

*Nancy Rawls, '51*

Our copper beech is the tallest tree in the neighborhood. In the summer, it's big-blown, brown and quivering. In the winter, it's bare, stark and beautiful. But I like it best in the summer. Then there is a camouflage for the tree-house. My tree-house is three-cornered; it has a floor, a wall, a chimney, a box for apples and another one for swords and knives and things. Everyone likes to climb the stabs dad and I hammered into the trunk for climbing. I live there all the time—almost.

*Ida Sumner, '54*

There I sat in my bed, my legs stretched out before me, my head against the wall behind me. There I sat with no one to talk to, nothing to do, like an imbecile or a genius I know not which. Blue ribbons and pink flowers running across the faded blue-gray wallpaper in strict formation. Now in straight vertical lines, now in "V" shaped formations, now in pentagons. You know, it all depends on the way you look at it, and if you change your perspective in quick surprise attacks, it's amazing how you can scatter the very best of formations. Try it sometimes. It helps to pass the time, but invariably it happens that you look at the clock, the clock that ticks but does not move only smiles wearily at you, an imbecile or a genius.

*Ann Goode, '56*



Jean Taylor, '54, Student Government president, welcomes banquet guests. On her right is Mrs. Edmund Campbell, better known to many of you as Dean Elizabeth Pfohl.

# Our Generation...

## *What is it?*

A report on the Student Government Association's 25th Anniversary celebration

Photos by Beverley Studio

THE three-day conference held on March 16, 17, 18 to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Student Government Association proved to be one of the most stimulating events held at Mary Baldwin in recent years. Four speakers, college students and faculty members from Mary Baldwin and other colleges took part on the program and panel discussions.

Plans for the conference were in charge of a student committee headed by Jeanne Taylor, '54, president of the Student Government Association. A large number of sub-committees worked for weeks making arrangements for all phases of the program and entertainment.

On Tuesday afternoon, preceding the banquet that marked the opening of conference, a tea given by the Alumnae Association and honoring the former student government presidents was held in the alumnae sitting room. Jeanne Taylor presided at the dinner held in the College dining room, with the tables attractively set in banquet style, giving a welcome to the guests who included students, faculty members, and a number of students from other colleges already arrived to attend the conference. Present also was Mrs. Edmund D. Campbell who as Miss Elizabeth Pfohl was dean of the college when student government was inaugurated on the campus. The early days of student government were reviewed by Mrs. Campbell and Mary Bell Archer Mapp, '35, who emphasized the universal principles of student government, the importance of assuming individual responsibility; the freedom of choice only within restrictions made for the benefit of a group and that there is no compromise on moral issues. Greetings from the Alumnae Association were brought by Josephine Hannah Holt, '44, and Miss Parker read greetings from former deans: Miss Katherine Sherrill of Hood College, Miss Inez Morton, dean of King College, and Mrs. St. George Tucker Arnold, the former Miss Elizabeth Poole.

The principal speaker of the conference was Dr. D. Elton Trueblood, professor of philosophy at Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., who was appointed in March

to the newly created post of chief of religious policy by the United States Information Agency. Also on the program were Dr. John F. Gange, director of the Woodrow Wilson School of Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia; the Reverend Thomas V. Barrett, rector of R. E. Lee Memorial Episcopal Church, Lexington and Dean James G. Leyburn of Washington and Lee University. The speakers approached the main theme of the conference, "What Is Our Generation?" from four different angles: personal relations, world affairs, religion and the arts. No rosy pictures were painted and each speaker stressed the challenge that disturbed conditions brought to the present generation, emphasizing the need for a dynamic interest in these aspects of their lives.

A gloomy forecast of the world picture was presented on Wednesday morning of the conference by Dr. Gange who spoke on world affairs. He emphasized however that "what happens will depend on what man wants to do with the resources at his command." He reiterated the Renaissance belief that "Man can do all things if he will." One of the great difficulties we have brought upon ourselves, Dr. Gange said, "is the wishful expectation that there will be peace. Because we have so desperately wanted it we have been unwilling to do the things which might have brought peace." He suggested that his own generation could have been better prepared for a world of conflict, and urged that his audience use its knowledge to be "on your toes and not on your heels where life is simple, to keep yourself in a posture where you may either ward off attack or be prepared if attacked."

As nations are brought closer together and individuals are more exposed to different cultures and values, Dr. Gange predicted that "we will have to acquire within our innermost minds 'a thermostatic attitude' which will enable us to keep our minds open regardless of what and whom we run up against." He cautioned his listeners lest they "be able to go around the world quickly, but never be in it or of it."



Lively panel discussions followed each of the addresses and were moderated by Mrs. Karl F. Menk, of the College history department, Mary Ann Taylor, president of the Y.W.C.A., Lee Pierce, senior, and Dean Martha Grafton. Students from Mary Baldwin, King College, Randolph-Macon College, (for men), Madison, Davidson, Queen's, Washington and Lee University, Randolph-Macon Woman's College and Longwood completed the panels. Below, Dr. Trueblood and panel in a lighter moment.



The fact that for the first time in history people in every corner of the globe are aware of their relative poverty and not only of their absolute poverty was voiced by Dr. Gange. In spite of our contrary notion, "more and more people around the world are coming to believe that we (the United States) have not done as much for them as we could; and whatever the facts what is important is what people believe." Many of our former friends are thinking they would have done better to fight against us and come in for rehabilitation, Dr. Gange said. And, he continued, "if we let them 'stew in their own juice' it may end up 'who is going to stew in whose juice?'"

There is a possibility that your generation may rediscover God and the power of a lost religion," Dr. Barrett stated in his address on Wednesday night. Referring to this as a "silent" and yet a "seeking generation," the speaker said that the fundamental task for it is to rediscover "a God who enters into a personal relationship with man." Furthermore, Dr. Barrett advocated the Church, in spite of its shortcomings, as "the place where you are most likely to come to an understanding of the whole nature of man, and of the reality of God."

"Fundamental to this rediscovery of God," Dr. Barrett said, "is the distinction between kinds of knowledge. We shall not rediscover God until we have rediscovered the place of faith and the place of reason in man's life." Basic also is "a new humanism" devoted to understanding man in his wholeness. The speaker insisted that the best source is "in the great tradition of poetry and art and literature and music and philosophy and history, bequeathed to us by men of insight and imagination, not so much concerned with adjusting man to society as adjusting society to



The speakers, top to bottom: Dr. Gange, Dr. Barrett and Dr. Leyburn.

the dreams, ideas and aspirations of men as they really are."

Dr. Barrett attributed the "lostness" of his generation to "scientism," or the theory that God cannot be proved in a laboratory and therefore does not exist. Science, he believes, is not irreligious, but the "error and the ghastly mistake have been made by an unthinking people, mostly not scientist, who have glibly assumed that there was no way to reality and truth except by science." The ethical approach to religion proved equally unsatisfactory to his "lost generation" the speaker said. "We found ourselves, generally speaking, with no real faith in God or supernatural power; with cynicism toward man instead of hopefulness, with no criterion for human behavior. Ethics was what we considered expedient at the moment. We wanted religion but most of us didn't have it and didn't know how to get it."

On Thursday morning and again at night Dr. Trueblood explored the theme, "What Is Our Generation," from the point of view of personal relationships while Dr. Leyburn in the afternoon discussed it from the standpoint of the fine arts. Lively discussions followed both addresses. The day began with Dr. Trueblood's assertion that our time is marked by an accentuation of contrasts. "The darkness," he said, "is darker and brightness is brighter." The paradox of our age, he continued, is on the one hand a revival of religion and on the other a decay of morality.

In his evening address this premise served as a background, but he went further to suggest an answer to the problems of our times "if we are brave enough to use it." It is a combination of the "rational vision of Greece and the moral vision of Palestine, the life we prize" and not the life we demonstrate. If, he said, "each person were really looked upon as a child of the living God this dream of life would bring justice and equality and morality." Furthermore, he said, "we cannot live by it nor can we give it up. The

one thing worse than failing to live up to it would be lose it. Our generation still has a dream that could be cherished. Our great danger, Dr. Trueblood said, is "the decay and corruption of our kind of life, the petering out of our dream, the lowering of our standards which is going on all around us." This he considers a greater danger than the possibility of a "hot war" or the victory of communism in our country. He cited the decay of the family and of integrity, crime, political vulgarity. The morning news, he said, is "one of Russia's greatest assets in the struggle for men's minds. We do their work for them."

In his remarks Dr. Leyburn said that mass education tends "to pull all art down to the least common denominator of distressing mediocrity." He affirmed his belief that this is not a "great age" of the arts, although the decision rests with posterity. He selected three ages of art, Greece following Pericles' rise to power, the Italian Renaissance, and France of the late 19th Century. They were characterized by "a compelling vitality in the arts, with prolific creation of works of art, and, despite real individual differences, by a common agreement upon artistic principles."

In comparison, our generation searches for compelling artistic expression in the realms of techniques which do not in themselves constitute an overwhelming idea and which prevent common agreement upon artistic principles, Dr. Leyburn said. He also pointed out that many of the ideas which inspired our ancestors have "become hazy and qualified."

He suggested that our own generation is trying to live without faith, in spite of a revival of religious interest. Our fathers believed in progress, he said, their fathers in democracy and individualism, their fathers in religion. "We make our bow in the direction of all of these, but I do not see that we are willing to stake our lives on any one of them, to die for them, or to live for them, at least in their traditional expression."

#### LITERATURE—(Continued from page 5)

a heap o' livin' in a house t' make it home." And it is equally true that "Home is where the heart is." I believe it is the office of the teacher somehow to convey to the student that the second observation in its enunciation exhibits more distinction, taste, and beauty than does the first.

The work of the teacher is to instill in his students sympathy, understanding, and discrimination. The student who cultivates these attributes as he approaches his readings will find also that he derives an added pleasure from them.

But, this is a task not so easily accomplished. On the part of the student, it requires time, intelligent attention, and careful comparison of many works of literature, as he gradually becomes acquainted with them. On the part of the teacher, it requires time, sympathetic interpretation, and the desire to imbue the student with both a love for the subject and a discrimination in his appreciation of it.

### 1953-54 ALUMNAE FUND

REPORT AS OF APRIL 15:

Total Gifts . . . \$12,887.31

From 619 alumnae contributors

7 non-alumnae contributors

1 chapter

*The current Fund closes JUNE 30*





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The Board of Review in action

## CHANGES IN THE AIR!

by MARGARET NEEL QUERY, '55

*President, Board of Review*

WHEN five joint committees met last spring to talk about all phases of Mary Baldwin life, it was evident to all participants and observers that this year would not be a dull one on our campus. Change was in the air, and students returned this fall eager to see the realization of a great many previews and forecasts. Certainly the past months have disappointed few; the campus community has been an alive one, and new activities have become a vibrant part of our everyday life.

During the period of re-evaluation and change, the Student Council decided that the Presidents' Forum which had regulated club activity on campus was becoming too large to operate efficiently. After deciding to dissolve this group, the Council made plans for establishing a new one, the Board of Review, to assume its duties. This group, which has functioned for the first time this year, is composed of four students and the same number of faculty members appointed by the council, and the sophomore representative of the Student Council who automatically serves as secretary of the group. Confronted with a job that was different, the group began work with the help of surveys which the council had already taken on student consensus about the existing clubs and ideas for new ones. A great deal of discussion, and finally a vote brought about the approval of the following clubs for the next year:

|           |           |                         |
|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Book      | Tri-Beta  | Hobby and Crafts        |
| Fine Arts | Gardeners | International Relations |
| Writers   | Spanish   |                         |
| Dolphins  | French    |                         |

These were representative of special interests, and no longer necessarily connected with any department. The students interested in each of these were called together with a member of the Board and officers were elected for the coming year.

With the return of students in the fall plans soon got underway. On two nights during those first weeks,

all club officers met with the Board to discuss general plans. At one of the meetings, the group received instruction in parliamentary procedure. The thoughts turned to the best way of introducing the class of '57 to the club program. In late September plans materialized, and the Club Convention took place. First, came the banquet "with all the trimmings," including table decorations by each of the clubs, and a speakers' table seating the members of the Board and club presidents. After dinner skits by all of the clubs helped to emphasize the particular interest and purpose of each. Then came after-dinner coffee on upper back gallery and the club, with each club represented in one of the two places. Interested people were invited to talk to the officers of the clubs and discussion of future plans was much in the air. During the following months many of those plans have been realized and the campus has witnessed the clubs in action. Over the Thanksgiving holiday, the Fine Arts group sponsored a trip to New York, and used the December meeting for an interesting and unusual report from some of the sightseers. Each month a bulletin board on back gallery catches the eyes of passers-by with the words, "The Book Club recommends . . .", and the name of the author who is their particular study for the month follows. The week before Christmas the Spanish Club gave a wonderful presentation of a Mexican holiday celebration, one of the most colorful and festive occasions of our Yule season. With the coming of the first warm rays, more and more gardeners are seen on the side of Riddle busy at their landscaping project. And there are many more signs equally indicative of interest and activity.

Under the new plan many matters have been left to the discretion of the individual club. Each has determined its standard of membership, its admittance of faculty as members, and its need for a sponsor. The Board has tried, however, to keep the clubs on the move by sending unidentified representatives to certain meetings of each club and having them evaluate its program and activity. In the spring the new and old club officers will be shown this evaluation in the hope that next year may bring forth still further improvement. There's no room for deadwood in our new system!

Mary Baldwin is a Charter Member in

## THE VIRGINIA FOUNDATION FOR INDEPENDENT COLLEGES

*"Capitalism and free enterprise owe their survival in no small degree to the existence of our private, independent colleges . . . I am suggesting that freedom of education and freedom of enterprise are part and parcel of the same thing—that they are inseparable and that neither can survive without the other . . . In my opinion, every American business has a direct obligation to support the free, independent, privately-endowed colleges of this country to the limit of its financial ability and legal authority."*

THIS stirring plea for broader financial support of independent institutions was voiced recently by Irving S. Olds, retired Chairman of the United States Steel Corporation.

Other leading American industrialists have joined Mr. Olds in active sponsorship of a new and widening movement to effect a stronger partnership between private enterprise business and "free enterprise" education. The business-education partnership is gaining in support, largely because the impetus for broader corporate giving to education is coming from businessmen themselves who recognize the importance of the independent college in perpetuating the principles upon which a free economic system is founded.

Seeking to give this movement emphasis and direction in Virginia is the infant Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges, which, according to one of the State's leading newspaper editors, represents "one of the most important educational developments in the history of our State."

Mary Baldwin is one of twelve Virginia colleges and universities holding charter membership in the new Foundation. Representing the college on the Foundation Board of Directors is trustee Edmund D. Campbell. Upon his inauguration in July, President Charles W. McKenzie will join the Foundation's directorate.

Foundation headquarters are in Lynchburg with President Francis P. Gaines of Washington and Lee University serving currently as president and President Warren D. Bowman of neighboring Bridgewater College as vice-president.

Member institutions include Bridgewater College, Emory and Henry College, Hampden-Sydney College, Hollins College, Lynchburg College, Mary Baldwin College, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Roanoke College, Sweet Briar College, University of Richmond and Washington and Lee University.

The Foundation, which is chartered under the laws of the Commonwealth, presents a joint or "community chest" type of appeal to business and industrial enterprises for financial support. One college president has described the program of the Foundation as "a long-range effort to create an entirely new climate of thinking in Virginia leading ultimately to

the strengthening of the entire structure of independent education."

This type of college fund raising endeavor has taken form in some 30 state and regional groups, beginning with the pioneer Association of Indiana Colleges which has been operating for five years and is distributing nearly \$500,000 a year in corporate funds to its 12 members.

During its first months the Virginia Foundation received and distributed to member colleges nearly \$100,000 in corporate contributions. Several large gifts were specifically designated for certain colleges. Among initial contributors to the Virginia Foundation are Appalachian Electric Power Company, Burlington Mills Foundation, Clinchfield Coal Corporation, First and Merchants National Bank (Richmond), Glamorgan Pipe and Foundry Company, Hampton Looms of Virginia, Inc., Leas and McVitty, Inc., Life Insurance Company of Virginia, Lynchburg Foundry Company, Norfolk Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Corporation and Union Carbide Educational Fund.

Funds distributed to the colleges through the Foundation will be unrestricted or "bread and butter" money for operating expenses. Its directors have made it clear that the work of the Foundation will not in any sense interfere with the established or projected development programs operated by the individual colleges. As a matter of fact, the Foundation is urging the colleges to pursue the strongest possible development programs of their own, since the Foundation is not expected to provide capital funds for physical expansion.

Undesignated funds are distributed among the 12 member colleges of the Foundation on the basis of a 60-40 formula, the 60 per cent being divided equally and the remaining 40 per cent on the basis of full-time undergraduate enrollment.

Contributions are solicited by the college presidents, who dedicate 20 full days a year to soliciting corporate funds for the Foundation. They work in teams of two interviewing corporate executives. The importance of their work is described by President Frank Sparks of Wabash College, head of the Indiana group, who says, "Nothing short of the good, honest wearing-out of shoe leather can possibly make the Virginia Foundation program succeed."

A contribution of her own shoe leather will be made by Dean Martha Grafton later in the Spring. She is joining an as-yet unspecified Virginia college president to carry the Foundation program to industrial executives of the Roanoke-Salem area. Other college presidents will team up to visit businessmen of the Norfolk-Portsmouth-Newport News, Richmond, and Lynchburg areas during April and May. Broader state coverage will be attempted in the Fall.

# Alumnae Association



Julia Gooch Richmond, '34 (Mrs. Gale), of Staunton has been chosen an alumna representative to serve a four-year term on the Board of Trustees, succeeding Ora Ehmling Ehmann, '36, whose term had expired. She was elected by the Trustees at their meeting in March upon recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Alumnae Board.

The new trustee, who is a member of the Mary Baldwin Honor Society and was prominent in campus activities as a student, retires this spring from a successful term as chairman of the Staunton-Augusta County Chapter of the Alumnae Association and a member of the Alumnae Board. In 1953 she was a member of the Committee on Financing and Fund Raising set up by the Board of Trustees. In addition she is a member of the Board of Directors of Staunton's King's Daughters' Hospital and of the Augusta Garden Club, and a former president of the Woman's Auxiliary of Trinity Episcopal Church, to indicate a few of her many interests. Her husband is president of the Crompton Textile Mills and they have two children, Larry and Jane, the latter pictured above with her mother.

Alumnae in many places are busy with plans for spring events; others have recently held meetings and

## Chapters on the March

have projects under way, and undoubtedly still others have schemes we know not of . . . **Charlotte, N. C.**, scooped President-elect and Mrs. McKenzie, having them as guests of honor on February 12 shortly after announcement of his election. An enthusiastic meeting is reported with new officers elected (see picture) . . . Margaret McLaughlin was on hand for a morning coffee in **Savannah** at Retta Concy Jelks', '21, home, for which she and Georgia Davis Roux, '29, were chairmen and to which mothers of present and prospective students were invited . . . In **Jacksonville** Evelyn Anderson Baker, '47, opened her home for a meeting of alumnae when Margaret was there in mid-February . . . Jean Atkinson, '51, did likewise in **Newport News** but a snow storm stopped traffic and the meeting was postponed until spring. Alumnae in **Charlotte**, Betty Lankford Peek, '50, in charge, and **Winston-Salem**, Martha Poole, '47, and Anne Brown, '52, in charge, went all out for the Chapel Choir when it appeared in those cities in February . . . Mary Ann Lewis Seal, '48, reports a **San Antonio** Chapter meeting on March 27 and plans for a prospective students' party . . . Clara Ayres Duckworth, '42, was hostess to alumnae in **Columbus, Ohio**, on March 30 with Margaret McLaughlin present, and Ann Gard Kinzie, '45, organized a meeting in **Detroit** on April 12 during



Charlotte Observer Photo

New officers for Charlotte Chapter: standing, Martha Barnett Beal, '53, secretary-treasurer; Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie; Betsy Merritt Choate, '51, publicity; seated, Betty Neisler Timberlake, '45, vice-president; Virginia House Puckett, '35, president; Estelle Garland Atkins, '29, publicity.

Margaret's sojourn in that city . . . She visited **Cleveland** where Emily Timberlake Watterson, '34, the alumnae admissions counselor, represented Mary Baldwin at a dinner held to discuss formation of a Council to promote in that area the interests of all the Virginia colleges and on which she will be our representative . . . Josephine Jackson Dickerson, '37,



Philadelphia meeting: seated, first row, left to right, Patricia Marsh Belleville, '50, Harriet Schofield McLaughlin, '36, Rosa Hutson Blankin, '49, Betsy Lankford, '49; second row, Marjorie Stuart, '35, Margaret McLaughlin, '52, Jane Schrell Leachman, '49, Bettie Gayle Thomas Jacobsen, '49; standing, Nancy Collier Nicolai, '41, Bettina Hull Sparks, '40, Winifred Love, '35, Carol Bacon Dreizler, '54.



chairman of the **New York** Chapter, reports a splendid meeting of the Westchester group at Rhea *Kincaid* Hayward's, '33, home in **Scarsdale** on March 18, and more recently the **Northern New Jersey** group met with Sally *Smith* Metzger, '45 and Margaret *DeMund* Banta, '33 as chairman at the latter's home in **Ridgewood**. A fine general meeting of **New York** alumnae was held at Hotel Russell April 3 . . . Edmund D. Campbell, president of the Board of Trustees, spoke at the **Washington** Chapter meeting on April 25, and Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie were guests, Nancy Kirchner, '50 reported. Many alumnae attended the Glee Club's concert at the National Cathedral on April 4 . . . Emma Martin, '50 and Charlotte *Jackson* Lunsford, '50 were co-chairmen for a luncheon meeting of the **Richmond** Chapter on April 24. Mr. Eldon D. Wilson, a trustee, was the speaker and Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie were present also. Jean *Wiltshire* Lane '46 is the new chapter chairman; other officers are Charlotte *Jackson* Lunsford, Emma Martin, Ruth Ann Worth, '52, Betty Lou Gaulding, '53, and Marian *Buckey* Catlett, '45. Betty Stall and Betsy Bearer, both '51, and Betsy Booth and Elsie Nelms, both '52, have shown slides to and done a grand volunteer job with prospective students . . . New officers will be elected when **Staunton-Augusta County** alumnae hold their annual meeting in May. A successful Barter Theater season sponsored by the chapter will be concluded with a performance of "Mr. Pim Passes By" on May 3 . . . See picture for **Philadelphia's** last meeting, with a spring one rumored . . . Betty Lee *Neister* Timberlake, '45 attended a recent meeting of all women's college alumnae club presidents in **Charlotte**, Nancy Kirchner a similar one in **Washington**.

All concerned enjoyed two teas, February 24 and 25, to which the Alumnae Office Staff invited the class of '54 in the Alumnae Sitting Room.

**Tea Time** Entirely informal, the purpose was to let them see the office in operation, answer

their questions about what and why we do it, clarify vague notions regarding the purposes and aims of the Association, indicate as constructively as possible the many ways in which they can be loyal and helpful alumnae. From the interest displayed great things are in store for us! . . . In honor of our distinguished returning Student Government presidents, we gave another tea, also very informal, to which the former deans, the Student Council, faculty Advisory Board, Alumnae Board members and trustees living nearby, came.

Ballots for the spring elections will be mailed April 15 to all voting members of the Association. This means to **ALL WHO HAVE MADE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE 1953-54 ALUMNAE FUND**. Contributions received by May 15 will be considered prerequisite for voting, and a ballot sent to the contributor. The elections will close May 22. So, exercise your right to vote and strengthen your Alumnae Board by giving it your support.

The Nominating Committee, Ann Jordan, '44, chairman, has presented the following slate:

For—President, **Beverly Bivens Olive, '39**  
Second Vice-President, **Emma Martin, '50**

Board Members (four to be selected):

**Elsie Rosenberger, '25**  
**Elsie Gray Hume Lawson, '28**  
**Mildred Bagley Garden, '30**  
**Katherine Miller Wood, '32**  
**Margaret Wardlaw Gilbert, '40**  
**Nancy McWhorter Hurley, '42**  
**Betty Lankford Peek, '50**  
**Jessica Gilliam, '52**

(Officers and Board members whose terms have not expired include Adele **Gooch** Kiessling, '37, first vice-president, Martha **Brown** Hamrick, '48, secretary; Marion **Buckey** Catlett, '45, Ouida **Caldwell** Davis, '51, Julia **Barber** Garst, '29, and Bessie **Wallace** Landes, '09, all to retire in 1955; Virginia **Hayes** Forrest, '40, Marcia **Gooch** Johnston, '39, Nancy Gilliam, '38, and Bunny Armistead, '47, to retire in 1955. The retiring president of the Association, Josephine **Hannah** Holt, '44, automatically will become a member of the Board for two years.)

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# PROPOSED REVISIONS to CONSTITUTION

To be voted on at the annual meeting, May 29, 1954

Committee on Constitution: Mary Benham Mitchell Black, '22, chairman; Tomlin Braxton Callison, '29; Kate Drake, '34.

Those portions of the Constitution and By-Laws as they now stand which it is proposed to revise or omit are indicated by the brackets [ ]. Proposed additions or changes are shown in italics.

## ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

[SECTION 1. There shall be two classes of members: active members and honorary members.]

SECTION 2. Any person who has been matriculated for at least one year in any department at the Augusta Female Seminary, Mary Baldwin Seminary, or Mary Baldwin College, and who has received honorable dismissal from the institution, may become a [an active] member of the Association.

[SECTION 3. Any former member of the faculty or administrative staff of Mary Baldwin Seminary or Mary Baldwin College may become an honorary member of the Association.]

[SECTION 4. To be changed and moved to Article V, Section 1.] [Only active members shall hold offices in the Association.] The office of President and *Vice-President* may be held only by a graduate in some department of the Seminary or by a graduate of the College.

*Section 4.* An alumna shall be considered [an active] a voting\* member of the Association only so long as she makes an annual contribution to the Alumnae Fund.

## ARTICLE V—GOVERNING BODY: THE NATIONAL BOARD

The governing body of this Association shall be [the National Board,] *the Board of Directors\**, which shall be composed of the officers of the Association, [and] twelve members-at-large, and the chairman of the Alumnae Fund Committee.

### A. Officers of the Association.

SECTION 2. The [elective] officers, with the exception of the President and the Treasurer, shall serve for two years and shall not be eligible for immediate reelection. *The President shall be eligible for immediate reelection for one additional term.* The term of office of the President and Second Vice-President shall not coincide with that of the First Vice-President and the Secretary.

C. Meetings of the [National Board] *Board of Directors.*

SECTION 1. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President of the Association or on the written request of five members of the Board, at a time and place which the President shall designate.

## ARTICLE VII—ELECTIONS

SECTION 1. [Elective] officers and members of the [National Board] *Board of Directors* shall be chosen by written ballot each year. The Nominating Committee through the Executive Secretary shall mail to every voter not less than one month before the [June] Commencement meeting of the Alumnae Association a printed ballot containing the names of one duly

elected nominee for each vacant office and two for each Board membership, with a brief biographical notice of each candidate.

*Section 3. If an officer or member of the Board fails to attend any two consecutive Board meetings, the Board may use its discretion in declaring and filling a vacancy.*

*Section 4. The Board of Directors shall recommend to the Board of Trustees every two years prior to the latter's March meeting the name of a person deemed suitable to represent the Alumnae Association as one of its two "alumnae trustees" on said Board for a four-year term. Before making recommendations to the Board of Trustees of any such name it shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to circulate the alumnae-at-large requesting suggestions from individual alumnae.*

## ARTICLE VIII—COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. The President when elected shall appoint the following standing committees: an Executive Committee, a Nominating Committee, a Finance Committee, a Chapter Activity Committee, a Publications Committee, and an Alumnae Fund Committee. [The committees shall serve two years.] *With the exception of the Executive Committee the committees shall serve two years, their terms of office to coincide with that of the President.*

SECTION 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the [President, the Secretary,] *officers of the Association*, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, *the Chairman of the Alumnae Fund Committee*, and four members-at-large of the [National Board] *Board of Directors*. *The Executive Secretary shall attend meetings.* Five members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

## ARTICLE IX—MEETINGS

SECTION 2. Special meetings may be called by the [National Board] *President* on the written request of ten members of the Association. (In an emergency, the President or a quorum of the [National Board] *Board of Directors* may call a meeting.)

## ARTICLE XI—AMENDMENTS

This constitution and its by-laws may be amended at any annual or called meeting of the Association by the vote of three-fourths of the members present, provided that due notice of the proposed change has been given at a previous meeting, or issued to all members at least [two] *one month(s)* before the vote is to be taken.

\*To be changed throughout the constitution and by-laws where appearing.

# Class Notes

1883

Lelia Johnson Buck (Mrs. W. McG.) made the "news" when she flew to Scotland last fall, a trip she has been planning for half a century. The *Charlotte Observer* had this to say about Mrs. Buck: "Ninety-year-old 'Aunt' Lelia Buck boarded a plane yesterday afternoon at Douglas Municipal Airport on a transatlantic jaunt that's been brewing for half a century. With the exuberance of a real youngster despite her cane, she climbed the ramp to Eastern's flight 510 that would carry her to New York, then to London and Scotland.

She was accompanied to New York by her niece, Mrs. K. O. Hobbs and her husband of 2601 Avondale, with whom Mrs. Buck has been living since 1928. But from New York to London she'll go it alone. Another niece, Miss Falsa Johnson will meet her in London and after a look at Buckingham Palace and Piccadilly Square they will go to south Scotland from whence her great-grandfather, Daniel Johnston, fled following the Stewart uprisings in the 1740's. 'Our family name was originally Johnstone,' she said a bit proudly, 'and ever since I can remember I've wanted to go to Scotland to see the home of my namesake.'

Three times before the trip had been planned but canceled—once around the turn of the century when sickness in the family prevented it, then in 1922 due to the unexpected death of her husband, the late William McG. Buck, and the third time by World War II. But she was on her way yesterday afternoon and her nervous fidgeting was due more to impatience than fear of flying. Mrs. Buck has traveled before, touring 17 South American ports when she was 74 and in 1947 flew to Cuba. When her many friends expressed concern over her traveling alone, her staunch Presbyterianism asserted itself. 'The Lord will know me just as well in Edinburgh as in Charlotte,' she chided. Her main worry as she left the terminal was her travel papers that listed her age as 91. 'If you must print my age, get it right. I'm not 91 but 90!'

1900-1924

The home of Mrs. Langdon Lea, Paoli, Pa., (Belknap Lyons, '00) was one of those selected this year to be opened for Chester County Day in October. This event of 14 years standing attracts visitors from all over the United States and some from Canada as well. Mrs. Lea's home was included because of its talented use of small-scale antique furniture in a charming and unusual setting. We know she had many visitors.

Anna May Erb Van Orsdel, '04, is anxious to have a 1904 *Bluestocking*. 'Can anyone furnish this? We are sorry that the Alumnae Office could not.

Elizabeth Ogle Stein's, '07, 'Jack's

Visit to Cherryville,' a book for children, was published in December. We were proud to receive a copy for the Library. Mrs. Stein, who now lives in Philadelphia, has a daughter, Cora Baer Stein, who's a teacher. Her son, John Ogle Stein, attorney, to whose memory her book is dedicated, was killed in action in World War II.

It was so nice to have Mabel Leftwich Pelletier, '03, and her sister Bessie Leftwich, '99, on campus in October.

Aune Appar Murray, '09, wrote us that she has celebrated her 40th wedding anniversary. Our heartiest congratulations!

Ruth Sublett Haas, '12, has had two engagements to announce this year. Daughter Elizabeth will be married to Driscoll Anthony Misa of Philadelphia and Mary Margaret, to Donald Wood Sutherland, also of Philadelphia. These girls are granddaughters of Julia Nelson Sublett, '90, who lives in Staunton.

The engagement of Nancy Lee Holt of Lynchburg, to Henry McWane, Jr., son of Fannie Craddock McWane, '13, was announced in January.

Clinton Carroll, son of Frances Price Carroll, '14, is the Dean of Ferrum Junior College, Ferrum, Va. We heard from another '14-er, Agnes Woods Harnsberger whose husband has retired from the ministry and who is living in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Jimmie Terrell Woodruff's, '13, Christmas note reported that she, Rosa Wilson Major, '19, and Sarah Wilson Magruder, '13, all live near each other in Birmingham, Ala. 'Greetings to all 1916 girls,' writes Jewel Mears Upshur who is the Child Welfare Worker with the Department of Public Welfare, Northampton County, Va.

Another visitor to the College this year was Katherine Wyatt Perkins, '19, of Minneapolis who stopped by in February. It was so nice to have you!

A portrait of the late Lt. Governor, Preston Collins, husband of Pauline Staley, '19, was unveiled in the Virginia State Senate Chamber on February 15. Senator Garland Gray, husband of Agnes Taylor Gray, '18, made the dedicatory address.

Margery Coffman Henry, '20, proudly notified us of her grandson, Gerrit Van Swerigen Henry, III, born on February 29, 1952.

Isabell McGowan Blake's, '20, son, David, graduated from Northwestern Medical College last June; her youngest son, Nelson, will graduate in May from High School (Lost Creek, W. Va.). It is never a dull moment for Isabell with home duties and a great many outside activities. She writes: "Mildred Gardiner Prunier is the Senior Woman's Golf Champion of the U. S."

Our sincere sympathy is extended to

Virginia Beckham Baylor, '21, whose mother died in December.

On January 11, Gladys Palmer Fickling, '21, was named assistant to F. H. Kinbrell, vice-president and general manager of W. I. Van Ness Co. in Charlotte, N. C. Congratulations!

Margaret Van Devanter Fancher, '22, writes that she is now president of the Atlanta Presbyterial and loves her new job. More news from the class of '22: Alphonsine Stewart Worthington's daughter, Linda, is a freshman at Mary Baldwin and her mother brought her all the way from New Mexico in September. We were glad to have the pleasure of seeing Mrs. Worthington again.

Frances Allen Kirby and her husband who is on a Sabbatical leave from Randolph-Macon Woman's College, will spend the coming year traveling and studying in Europe.

Martha Griffin, '24, who teaches art at Shorter College, Rome, Ga., writes that she has received a generous grant for her department of which she is the head. "This means complete renovation and new equipment. Last week (January 25) we had 105 teachers from North Georgia on the campus for an art workshop." Congratulations, Martha, on the fine job you are doing!

Our heartiest congratulations to Jane Dennis Tears, '24, who was married in June, 1953 to Lloyd S. Pearson of Pasadena, Calif. Jane writes, "I have inherited a lovely family, including two grandchildren." Marion Palmer Erringer, '24, also reports a grandchild, her first, Sallie Doane Deeley, born April 5, 1953.

1925-1939

Kitty Goodloe Crisfield's, '25, daughter, Hawsie, a senior at Wellesley College, is the second woman to hold one of the R. C. A. scholarships for university students in the sciences since the awards were first granted in 1945. The objective of the R. C. A. award is "to encourage the training of scientific personnel for the growing requirements of the electronic age," according to Dr. C. B. Joliffe, Vice President and Technical Director of R. C. A. Hawsie is majoring in mathematics and hopes to work in a research laboratory. Kitty sent further news of her family: "James Pearce, our oldest, graduated from Yale last year in electrical engineering and is now with R. C. A. in Lancaster, Pa. Hawsie is the middle one and Art, now 15, is at Kent School."

Katherine Chestnut Green, '25, wrote us that her son is studying for the Episcopal ministry. We know how proud she must be!

It was wonderful to renew acquaintance via letter with Lauretta Kitchen Weeks, '26. Haven't heard from her in ages. Lauretta lives in New Orleans. Her daughter, Charlee Spaulding, took her A.B. at Howard College and her Library



Science B.S. at L. S. U. She is now in Special Service and Librarian at the Air Base in Alexandria, La. Lauretta also brought us up-to-date on Carter Jaudon Hunter who lives in Anniston, Ala. Her daughter, Jaudon, graduated from Gulf Park, in Gulfport, Miss., majoring in dance which she is teaching in Anniston now.

Caroline Thrift McGhee's, '26, son, Hobson, Jr. was married on January 2 to Bettie Payne Phipps of Charlottesville.

News from '27: Elsie Gray Hume Lawson's picture appeared in the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* on March 16, photographed as she put final touches on a portrait that she expected to show in an exhibit in Richmond on March 22. . . . Edythe Richcreek who is making her home temporarily with her sister, Clara Richcreek Thomas, in Belleville, N. J., was given a party by her many friends just before her departure. Edythe is teaching in Belleville but will return to Staunton in the summer. . . . Our sincere sympathy goes to Ellen Burkholder Shumate whose mother died in December.

Martha Bass Davis', '29, two children are in college now: Hal, Jr., is a first year dental student at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and Martha Ann is a freshman at Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro.

Our sympathy is extended to Alice Turner Purdie, '29, whose mother died last fall.

Ruth McGuire Buck, '29, reports a two month cruise last summer; she took her seven month old baby girl, Sally, along and says that she is a wonderful sailor!

News from Katherine Duff Powell, '30! Her son, Tom, led his junior class at Camden Academy, Camden, S. C., and daughter, Katherine, won the Camp Spirit award at Camp Vade Mecum last summer. We know how proud you must be, Katherine.

Mildred Moore Nixon, '30, has moved to Jacksonville, Fla., where her husband became Canon Residentiary of St. John's Cathedral on March 1.

Lucky "Sees" . . . Ruth, '31, and Katherine, '27, had a wonderful vacation in England and Scotland last August. "We'll both tell about it together or separately at the drop of a hat." All right, K., we've dropped the hat!

Our sympathy is extended to Anne Page Lackey Williams, '32, and Frances Lackey, '34, whose mother died suddenly in December. Anne Page lives in Newport, R. I., where her husband teaches in the NROTC school. Frances works in Charlottesville, Va. . . . Our sympathy goes to Frances Crafton Shelton and Katherine Crafton Fenne, '29, whose mother also died in December.

Mildred Kincaid Hayward's, '32, oldest son is a freshman at Lehigh University. She has another son, age 7.

News items for '34. . . . Frances Robinson Merry sent us news of her new daughter, Anne, born February, 1953. Other members of her family are Fran, 17, Briscoe, 13 and Philip, 9. . . . Betty

## TWENTIETH REUNION

Class of 1934

Kay Little Weaver

Connie Caldwell Leith

CHAIRMEN

Keith Harrison Roberts' son is ready for kindergarten now. Betty busies herself with Church and Sunday School work. . . . We're proud of Sue Hoge's record as a member of the board of managers of Crippled Children's Hospital in Richmond. She has served the hospital since the organization of the junior board in 1933. In January the *Times-Dispatch* carried a picture of Sue and two other members of the board with similar records. . . . Jeanne Renee Campana (Madame Tito Bronzini) reports the arrival of her eleventh child. Jeanne Renee is hoping for a dozen so that she can spend her "old age" visiting one month with each of her children!

Peggy Russell Davis, '35, announced the birth of her fourth child, a daughter, on November 16. Also for '35, Leona Bowman Day reports that Ann Bowman was 1 year old on February 2 and Paul, Jr. will celebrate his third birthday on May 21.

Martha Berry, '36, was married on January 26 to Samuel Albert Halterman. "Have just moved to Baton Rouge, La.," writes Sarah Dudley Whitmore Ricks, '36. "My husband is the Regional Director of Christian Education for the Synod of Louisiana. We now have a daughter, Norwood Dudley, age 1 1/2 years and a son George Harriss, Jr. age 5 months." This news came in the fall so add a few more months to Sarah's offspring for correct ages!

In February, W. Brooks George, husband of Elizabeth Simmerman, '37, was named executive vice-president of Larus and Brother Co., Inc. of Richmond, Va.

Frances Yount Showker, '38, writes that she is still teaching math, English, and journalism at Craigsville High School (Virginia). She is the sponsor of the Annual and the school paper. . . . Also for '38, Elizabeth Lucas reports that she is nursing at the V. M. I. infirmary this winter. . . . A new son was born in December for the class of '38; he is Carl Arthur Van Lear, Jr., son of Geraldine Berry. . . . In December, Corinne Tomes Sadler's husband received the eighth annual citizenship award made by the Hanover Ruritan Club. The Sadlers live in Mechanicsville, Va.

Jean Young Moore's, '39, daughter was born on August 18; her name, Carolyn Russell. . . . It was grand to hear from Anna Perry Caperton Everhart, '39, again! She lives

in Wilmington, N. J., where her husband is employed by the Du Pont Co. Anna Perry's family consists of a new son, Michael Shelley, born last April, Leighton, Jr., 11, and Austin Caperton, 3.

Nina Griffith O'Malley, '39, writes, "We have made California our home for the past four years, and greatly enjoy its lovely climate, and year round 'beaching.' Our daughter, Peggy, is 5 years old and a great horseback riding enthusiast, as well as a beach explorer for sea life."

We're glad Frances Perrottel Kresler, '39, approved of the campus changes when she paid Mary Baldwin a visit in October but sorry she didn't find a familiar face! An hour is too short a visit, Frances, so please come back and show us the colored slides you took!

Mildred Lapsley, '39, received her Masters Degree in Education from the University of Virginia last August. She is now teaching science at Mt. Vernon High School in Fairfax County, Va.

Anita Malugani, '39, is planning to spend next summer abroad and hopes to see Betty Boyd who is stationed in Paris.

## 1940

Class Secretary: Katherine Holt Dozier (Mrs. Wilson), 409 Thornrose Ave., Staunton, Virginia.

Each card that arrives makes me realize that M.B.C. girls are really staying in the swing of things—church and club work, big families and all sorts of unpredictable activities.

Alice Jones Thompson's newest activity is serving as World Fellowship chairman for the Y.W.C.A. in Richmond. Alice planned a Foreign Festival last fall which involved contacting 30 students from foreign lands in nearby colleges; she probably speaks all 30 languages by now! Also she sends news to us of her roommate her first two years at Mary Baldwin—Julia Baldwin, now Mrs. E. D. Taylor; thanks, Al, and it's good to catch up with you, Julia.

Way back in '44, Julia went to Washington to work for the F.B.I. There she met and married Ned, who was a Naval officer and a widower with two sons. Julia and Ned have a daughter, Julia Ann, who is 4, and Ned's two sons are now grown and married, with children, which makes Julia our youngest grand-mother. Incidentally, Ned is now Administrative Vice-President of the Office Equipment Manufacturers Institute, and they live in Chevy Chase, Md.

"Beezy" Carter Hoover writes from Greenwich, Conn., that they have a son and heir born last August. Daughter Elizabeth is 5. "Beezy" occasionally gets to alumnae meetings in New York and does a little antique-hunting on the side.

Alice Bitner Freund and family are in Lancaster, Pa., where her older son Bobby is a "very proud little kindergarten, while 2-year-old Jimmy (under Bobby's influence) is fast becoming a real boy."

Marie DeBose Burns and preacher Bill

are quite happy in Washington, N. C., where they are busy raising two boys and a little sweetheart, (Bill, 11, Wade 8, and Derry 5), plus a yard full of camellias and such.

Rose Lane Mitchell Revels and husband have a farm at Greenwood, Va., where they "raise pigeons for squab and income and children for pleasure." There's Rose Lane 13, Paul Hayne 10 at military school, Frances in Cuba with the grandparents, David 3 and twin boys 2. Remember what a hockey star Rose Lane was? She still plays occasionally and has a "grand time with only a few aches and pains." She also works at the University.

Jeanne Smith Gardes and husband George, who was selected for Commander in October, were in Newport, R. I. awaiting orders when last heard from. Skip (George, Jr.) is 7, Susan is 5 and —more twins—Ann and Paul are 3.

Sarah Hannah teaches in the high school at Arvonja and seems to enjoy it muchly; she won't agree that her pupils are at the "difficult age."

Fran Dudley Schmid and husband have just built a lovely, modern little home on the outskirts of Staunton and it has a grand yard for Phil and Pamela—as soon as the new grass puts in its appearance!

Tat Lineweaver Kivilghan and husband Mike have just adopted their second little girl, in less than a year. Kathy is barely over 1 year, and Deane is 4 months; both are cute as buttons. Tat comments, "Remember when you could sit and relax at my house?"

Two daughters are reported by Mary Louise Van Atta Derr and Allan Carpenter Meeks. Mary Louise's, born July 1, 1953, is named Louise Edith and Allan's, born July 28, is named Diane Virginia. A nice note from Emma Padgett Fitzhugh reports much activity with children (4 year old Ginne, Anne, a first grader, a year old son, plus a teen-age niece!), home and garden. Emma expressed it nicely when she said she was "knee-deep in children."

You'll be hearing from us again; meanwhile, please send your news.

## 1941

Class Secretary: Louise Kinkel Boehmke (Mrs. William), 67 Charleston Road, Snyder 21, N. Y.

Kathleen Daily is the assistant to the owner of the C. T. Loo Art Gallery on 57th Street in New York, N. Y. "Madly setting up exhibitions of Chinese, Indian, Afghanistan, Siamese, etc. sculpture, paintings and ceramics for tons over the country and living the usual hectic cliff-dweller life of a New Yorker in off moments. Fascinating but exhausting." Kathleen managed to take a cruise to South America on her last vacation, but has been too busy to go anywhere lately.

Martha Farmer Chapman writes that they have a nice new home and are enjoying all the space they have there. They have three children: Charles III is 6, David Farmer is 2½ and Florrie Lou

is six months. "Charles is in the construction business and stays awfully busy. He's doing lots of building in Mobile, Ala. and Pensacola, Fla." Martha saw Tillie Blount Hawkins and Julia Harris L'Engle in Jacksonville at the Gator Bowl game.

Charlotte Humbert Davis has some big news: a new daughter born December 8, 1953 and named Julia Lee. She said, "she is our first one and naturally we're quite proud after 7½ years. Now I'm really a housewife and no longer a career woman."

Joyce Albright Bee has remarried and is now Mrs. William T. Greig. Her new address is 1841 Stanley, Birmingham, Mich. Joyce's Christmas card said, "We have a brand new little boy who is a lamb and his big sister, Liza, is tickled pink about everything. I'd begun a life-size portrait of her before I took off to have Tommy. I guess my painting attempt will have to be postponed a couple of weeks or months. Then I'll go back to it papoose fashion or Liza will be grown up." It was grand to hear from you, Joyce!

Mary Heath Massey says she never thought she would be living so near Staunton—she is in Glasgow, Va.. She has two children: a girl 6½ and a boy 4½—"quite a pair." Also, she teaches school in Glasgow all of which keeps her well occupied.

Bessie Moore Combs says she is busy with two boys—Clayton, 2 years, and Bedford, 6 months. Also she publishes and edits a monthly magazine, *The Columbia Mirror*. Lucy Lewis Deerin, '38, helped Bessie start the magazine last spring. Now Lucy and her husband, Jim, have a magazine of their own, *The Monmouth County Lines*, in Little Silver, N. J. Their address is 319 Branch Ave. They have four children.

Nancy Clark McLennan says: "Life seems to be full of interesting and exciting things until I get ready to write about it. Then I'm afraid it would be just what everyone else with a home and three children would also be doing." She likes to read the news about her classmates in the NEWS LETTER.

Betty Kull Drumheller reports that she is in the process of making her fifth home in five years of marriage. This time they will go to Brinkley, Ark. She has two children, Joanne, age 2, and Bob, age 1.

Jane Simmons Minick is living in Washington, D. C. with her husband who is a Lt. Col. in the Air Force and three daughters 9, 7, and 2 years. She hears from Lillian Street Schutz who has two girls and is living in San Antonio, Texas.

Malvine Paxton Graham reports that Martha Stewart is in the 4th grade and enjoying ballet. William is in 1st grade and has planes on his mind. James is 3½ years and is quite a talker with a great personality, and the baby is adored by all. Even with four children Malvine finds time to attend a child study group monthly. She sent news of Lillie Harwell Williams, too. Lillie is in Corvallis, Oregon where her husband

is ROTC officer at the University of Oregon.

Mary Catherine Miles Whitaker is in Yokohama, Japan. Her address is Hgt. (Col. E. J. Whitaker) J C E—APO 503 % P. M., San Francisco, Calif. She has been there for two years and is anticipating her return to the States this summer. Mary has five sons—age 11½ to 6 months.

Cecil Brewer Fish's husband is Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church in Hamilton, Ohio. Her address is 424 N. D Street.

Elizabeth Dingley Walker has two daughters, Merri, 10½, and Cena, 7. "We are living with my father, I act as his hostess at functions at this boys' school. (New York Military Academy, Cornwall-on-Hudson, N. Y.)."

Our deep sympathy is extended to Mildred Hudson Small upon the death of her father the Rev. Dr. William E. Hudson, in January.

Louise Kinkel Boehmke thanks the girls for their very interesting replies. I was particularly intrigued by the number of new babies born to our classmates in 1953. Seven of the twelve girls reporting (including me) have new members under 1 year of age. Congratulations to all of you. Our twins are 6 years old now, and are enjoying kindergarten immensely. Margaret is 6 months and rules the household.

Editor's note: New babies reported to the alumnae office for '41 are: Christopher Keeley, second son of Marianna Keeley Campbell, born August 2; William Seahill, second son of Jeanne Britt Purdom, born on October 27; and Samuel Burgin, son of Harriet Angier Kuhn, born on December 9.

## 1942

Class Secretary: Marion Eldson Ryder (Mrs. James P.), Box 177, Fort Collins, Colorado.

Dear Centennials,

Would it give you thrills or chills to join in Rocky Mountain foothills where coyotes howl and bears and mountain lions leave tracks?!

But let's skip from Colorado to Kentucky, to bring us up to date on Betty McGrath Anthony. The Anthonys enjoyed another Key West vacation last spring, after Betty wound up her year as president of the Bluegrass Dental Auxiliary.

Buzzing the California-Michigan skyways is Millicent French Preseott. (Does anyone else fly in our class?) "Dood" went swimming in February, near Los Angeles, as the mercury hit 86.

Cay Dewees Launt is still at Binghamton, N. Y. All three children are in school now; just Cay and the cat are left home to keep things going. Marian Hornsby Bowditch is busy managing four boys. One is in the Boy Scouts and another has Jerry Lewis-"itis." (Address: Virginia) A collie named "King" has been acquired by Mary Lou Gordon McKay's household at Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a touch of "Dragnet" in Polly Guerrant Dodson's life. Friend

husband was appointed Assistant District Attorney recently. Polly drives the three children around Charleston, W. Va.; since each has a swimming lesson on a different day, it's quite a feat; add this to church affairs and being a Scout leader.

Next month Betty *Bailey* Hall will finish her second year as P.T.A. president, Bellaire, Texas. Betty still hopes to arrange a reunion with classmates who reside nearby: Linda *Parson* Urbanke, Eugenia *Wright* Davis, and Kathryn *Heep* Powers.

Contact Cleo *Shepherd* Gaylord if you'd like data about St. Thomas. This Staten Island, N. Y., alumna just returned from a palm tree vacation.

Here's some news about a person who hasn't been mentioned for many moons: Mary Bruce Clendening is teaching at Guam.

Sue *Haistip* Bonham's husband continues to instruct at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas. Both like the assignment.

From Jacksonville, Fla., Eyrd *Harris* Martin reports that she is teaching nursery school, helping with Navy organizations, and going to P.T.A. Commander Martin is on duty at Iceland; however, in June, the whole family may transfer to California.

This year Leslie Syron is acting as Chairman of the Department of Sociology and Economics, Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C., while the head is in Europe.

"Hi" Jamison Noblin has moved from Staunton to Roanoke.

Serving as Secretary-Treasurer of the Washington, D. C., alumnae chapter is Nancy *McWhorter* Hurley. During January, the Hurleys moved to another street at Arlington, Va.—1412 North Abingdon. (In the process they served so much hospitality coffee that Nancy wonders if the Hurleys sparked the price war!)

During February, Adelaide *McSweeney* Burnett's name appeared in the guest book of the Miramar, Santa Barbara, Calif. Bud played polo while Adelaide faithfully tended to some of our annual alumnae cards. Previously the three children spent a month in Florida with their mother; then Bud joined them all at Palm Springs. In spite of the resort itinerary, Adelaide looked forward to returning to their Oregon farm.

Son Wayne acted as Alyce *Farnwald* Skibo's secretary and wrote a grand letter close to George Washington's birthday; Wayne is 10. He collects rocks in Pennsylvania and is a school patrolman. Alyce is keeping on with a job outside the home.

Clara *Ayres* Duckworth writes that she has two sons age 5 and 10. Her husband is chief of Ceramics Division Battelle Memorial Institute.

Kay *Poerschke* Kennedy's Bruce, age 5, goes to kindergarten now. Kay says Bonnie, age 1, is "a doll and we're all crazy about her." She points to the M. B. C. plate on the wall when we ask her "what college are you going to?"

Ann Atwell is counting on returning

to Scout work when she gets her Masters at Northwestern.

Please write in about your hobbies, you-all. We have several artists in our class, a member of the Needlework Guild of America, a telescope builder and a magazine contributor. We would like to hear about others.

Do you need any classmate's address? I am at your service. Right now I have a date with the dislipan and Income Tax forms!

## 1943

Class Secretary: Ruth *Peters* Sproul (Mrs. Erskine), 41 Woodland Dr., Staunton, Va.

Many thanks to Jane *Abbott* Malone who was such a help to our alumnae representative, Ann Schlosser, while she was in New Orleans.

Dot Hundley was married on November 7 to Lewis N. Neale, Jr. Emily was her sister's maid of honor. Dot's address is 339 Maple Ave., Danville, Ky.

Richard *McChesney* Hogshead, son of Catherine *Gierhart* Hogshead, was born on November 6.

We were happy to discover Louise *Petrulias* Rooklin living in nearby Covington, Va. Louise writes that "we will have been here two years in August. We have two girls, Sandra, 9 and Linda, 3½."

Anne Garrett is going to study at the University of Oslo this summer.

From Gratia *Kaynor* Deane: "Status quo . . . three children, Rick, 6, Lansing, 4 and Kate, 2. Love to M.B.C." We send love to you too, Gratia. It was wonderful having you back at reunion time last year.

Jaqueline *Hansen* Conklin has lived in Ridgewood, N. J., for almost four years. Her children are Donna, 6, Barbara, 4, and Pamela, 2. Sorry that you could not stop last fall, Jacque, when you went to the Greenbrier!

Gladys *Adams* Link says that her new house has little furniture but that the garden is full of roses! "A beagle puppy, Junior League, Church and flowers keep me hopping." We received later news that in November Gladys adopted a daughter, Carolyn Carter, so we know that she is busier than ever.

Betty *Marable* Jones' son, Arthur Carroll, III, was born on October 23.

After April 1, Virginia *Brading* Mack's address will be: 178 Seven Bridges Road, Chappaqua, N. Y. The Macks have just completed their new home.

## 1944

### TENTH REUNION

Class Secretary: Ann Kivlighan, 2321 Utah Avenue, North Arlington, Virginia.

REMINDER! Tenth reunion is coming up on May 30. A card to me or to the alumnae office will reserve you a place in all the gala activities of the week end. So . . . ask for that leave, get that baby-sitter or whatever! Here is a bit of news for you. Hope we will have lots more to report the last of May.

Peggy *Creal* Minielier is living in Alexandria. Since John is stationed with the Marine Corps in Washington, D. C., the Minieliers have bought a house and are kept busy with John Junior, 7, Peggy, 5, and Gordon, 3.

Helen *Gansmann* Graves writes that her two boys, Stevie, 6, and Eddie, 2, are growing up too fast. Helen is living in Cleveland, Ohio.

Emaline *McGrath* Graham is enjoying her lovely Southern California home with Cynthia, 4, and Greg, 2. Byron has returned to the Far East for a second tour of duty since his recall to the service.

Working in Atlanta, Ga., and studying for a degree in Public Accounting at the University of Georgia Extension School has kept Frances Hayne Anderson busy during the winter months.

Margaret *Smith* Connor announces that she and Jay have adopted a second child, Margaret LaMotte, to keep Jay Junior, 3, company. The Connors are living in Baltimore, Md.

The marriage of Elizabeth *Cline* Wilson to Robert Durr Fleischer took place on January 30 in Staunton. The Fleischers plan to make their home in Clifton Heights, Pa.

Two members of the Class of 1944 have left Staunton during the past months. Ann Jordan has a job in Baltimore, Md., and Frances *Fulton* Culpepper has moved to Roanoke, Va.

Margie *Harwood* Kreisle writes that her husband has started his surgical practice in Austin, Tex. Margie also reports a total of three girls and one son in the family.

Chris *Harris* Young is putting her Registered Nurse degree to practice in raising Rick, 7, Craig, 4, and Christie, in Washington, D. C.

Other residents of the Washington area are Julie *Hedrick* Campbell, Jackie *Poole* Hale and Mary Lee Cooke.

Just in time for the news . . . Betty *Smith* Chapman's son, Alan Craig, born February 20.

## 1945

Class Secretary: Louise *Plage* Neilon (Mrs. John), Skyline Drive, Glen Mills, Pa.

Thank you all for the letters and cards. Your accounts of your families and activities were so full and interesting it was difficult for me to determine where to draw the line. Please remember you may obtain addresses of Mary Baldwin girls from the Class Secretaries or the alumnae office. The response to the plans for 10th reunion in 1955 was great! So many of you plan to come. Won't you contact old friends so that we'll have a big turn out?

Nelwyn *Kirby* Culbertson . . . "about my family—I have three sons, Kenneth, 7, Lee, 5, and Jim, 3. Bobby has been selling chain link fences ever since he came out of the army, and a few years ago added fire fighting equipment, which means he has to travel all over Louisiana. Be sure and let me know more



# Alumnae Sons and Daughters



1. Bruce and Bonnie, children of Kay *Poerschke* Kennedy, '42.
2. Ronnie and Scottie, sons of Charlotte *Hanger* Dixon, '48.
3. Peggy, daughter of Margaret *Getty* Wilson, '48.
4. Douglas, with his mother, Nancy *McWhorter* Hurley, '42.
5. Mike, Chuck, and Sherry, children of Mary Sue *Grosso* Clarke, '48.
6. Josh, son of Lill *Richardson* Hall, '48.
7. Tommy and Bo, sons of Joan *Farris* Huff, '47.
8. David and Burke, sons of Barbara *Lemmond* Graham, '40.
9. Carolyn Craig, daughter of Joan *Craig* Lee, '47 and Jimmy Mac, son of Mary *Estes* Cumming, '48.
10. Charles, Jr., son of Betty *Buchanan* Thullberry, '49.
11. Jann, daughter of Joan *Larrick* Rule, '51.
12. Cindy and Greg, children of Emaline *McGrath* Graham, '44.

# Alumnae Sons and Daughters



1. Children of Imogen Bird Preston, '36.
2. Craig, son of Mary Lilly Bennett, '48.
3. Peggy and Barbara, daughters of Harriette Clarke Thorne, '47.
4. Ann, daughter of Mary Ann Jones Rogers, '42.
5. Derek, Anna, and Ivon, children of Louise Martin Roher, '35.
6. Lacy and Candace, children of Evelyn Lacy Nance, '49.

7. Richard and Kitty, children of Kitty Makepeace Bradford, '49.
8. John, son of Betty K. Harrison Roberts, '34 and Anne and Ellen, daughters of Annie Harrison Griffin, '37.
9. Joseph and Norah with their mother, Celia Lacy Whallen, '45.
10. Joan, daughter of Joan Dieckmann Stein, '51.

about the reunion. I'd sure like to attend if at all possible."

Alice Brand Boyle . . . "I've joined the Garden Club here (Charlton Heights, W. Va.), so with that and the Woman's Club and Church meetings and two boys I seem to keep busy."

Betty Jo Gardner Dudley . . . "Frank and I have started all over again. That is to say we are back in school and to study medicine at that. We sold our home in Martinsville last June and came to Blacksburg for his pre-med. We'll be here until September, 1954, then to the Medical College of Virginia. We have one little girl 3 years this January. So cute! Hope I can see you in '55."

Emelene Waldeck McKown . . . "Bob and I were married in November, 1946. We have a little boy, Todd, 3 years old. Bob works for the U. S. Department of Agriculture and we usually get a change of scenery every two years. Do hope we can get together at M. B. C. in '55."

Nancy Nettleton Rood . . . "I am teaching bridge lessons twice a week at our local Community Center, and am also on the District Nurse Board and work for the Junior Red Cross. Would love to get back to the reunion next year. Maybe I can make it."

Babette Sellhausen Trader . . . "We're still here in Kalamazoo where my husband is on the faculty of Western Michigan College. We're house hunting and Bob is working on his Doctorate. Our little girl, Christine, was a year old on March 26. Hope very much to see you and other class members in '55."

Ann Dowdell Stauss . . . "At long last we did increase our family on March 30, 1953. Her name is Mary Dowdell Stauss. Katherine Keller Ewin and I have both bought old houses which we plan to remodel."

Gail Kathryn Riley Blakey . . . "We have a new baby, Churchill Ewing, Jr., born May 10, 1953. Enjoyed having Ann Schlosser with us in November."

Peggy Glass Philquist . . . "I have two daughters, Bonnie Gail, 8 years and Penny Lynn, 4 years. I'm active in church work, also Beta Sigma Phi International Sorority. An occasional ballet lesson furnishes my exercise. That about does it!"

Dorothy Van Winkle Tremaine . . . "No news on this front—just enjoying life to the fullest. Heard from Bubbles Creasy—she's on a Caribbean Cruise."

Louise McLean Lightner . . . "We are back on the move again after 18 months in Aiken, S. C. We'll only be here another 5 or 6 weeks then on to somewhere else. I was a neighbor of Martha Bush Gray while in Aiken. Still just two children—Edith Kay, 4 years, and Virginia Ann (Val), 1 year. I'm surely hoping to get back for our 1955 reunion."

Josephine Lockhart Reid . . . "I have two children, Frances, age 7, who is in the second grade and Warren, age 5. My husband does general medical practice here in Mill City, Oregon, which is far away from most Mary Baldwin girls but as I go to Texas every summer I do have a chance to see a few old friends."

Carol Luckie Roberts . . . "For the past year I have been doubly busy with my new, almost one year old son, Jeffrey Glenn, and my elder son, Chris Robin. I have conducted a varied program as vice-president and educational chairman of our local chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha. I hope I will see you in '55."

Celia Lacy Whallen . . . "Our increase in the family is not really new news. He is Joseph Howard, called Howard, and is now 1½. Our daughter, Norah Lacy is 4½, and is already planning to go to Mary Baldwin. Joe and I had a wonderful surprise visit from Anne Daughtrey Harrell and her husband in February. I am hoping to come to the reunion in 1955. Won't it be wonderful to see everybody again?"

Marjorie Kincaid Bertok . . . "We have moved and now live 10 minutes from Virginia Beach. We like it fine here. Both of us are teaching, and looking forward to being in the huge new Princess Anne County High School, which is being built now. Hope to visit M. B. C. for our reunion in '55!"

Anne Daughtrey Harrell . . . "I have two boys ages 2 and 4, who keep me so busy. Garden Club work now is my most popular outside activity. Celia Lacy Whallen plans a visit with me in the spring and this summer we want to plan for our families to spend a vacation together at Virginia Beach. I miss the Mary Baldwin girls and hope many of us will be able to meet in 1955."

Betty Lee Neisler Timberlake brings us up-to-date! "Butch" and family moved from New York to Charlotte, N. C., last spring . . . "We had become interested in what had been an old two room schoolhouse—on the outskirts of Charlotte—vintage about 1890—divided into seven rooms and center hall about 25 years ago—2 acres of land with beautiful big oak trees—but—no heat—no electricity—no plumbing—and more discouraging 'No's' from family, friends and advising realtors. Guess we've always been stubborn, but the extensive remodeling began the week Buck began work. I spent the summer in the ear (with the kids fighting in the back seat) chasing down everything from doors and windows to bricks and mortar. Buck was learning a new trade between phone calls to contractors of every description; but after many setbacks and headaches—and admittedly, much pleasure too, we moved in on November 17th. Oh happy day! Almost five months to make an old house new, but we're ever so comfortable now with a guest room just trying to be occupied. We're about four miles outside the city limits, equally distant between highways 16 and 74. If you are anywhere in our vicinity, regardless of the hour, please give us a call at Charlotte 6-1828. Because we're now real country folk, strangely enough our mailing address is Rama Road, R. F. D. 1, Matthews, N. C."

Postscripts . . . More babies for '45 are: July 3, William Clayton, son of Marie Dowd Latimer; September 15, Frances Ford, daughter of Cary Bryan

Boyd; born in October, Carol Meade, daughter of Ann Sims Smith; November 7, Dale Stewart, son of Shirley Dockler Vincent; November 21, Kathleen Vance, daughter of Tee Pancake Rankin; and December 22, Thomas Woodrow, Jr., son of Sarah Lee Cabell Massey; on December 27 Erah Hatten Kliever added a daughter, Linda Elizabeth to her family. Congratulations, girls!

## 1946

Grace Brauer is planning a May wedding! Her engagement to Elmer Belmont Potter was announced in January. Mr. Potter is a graduate of the University of Richmond and has also received his graduate degree from the University of Chicago. He is at present a professor of history at the United States Naval Academy.

A report on Elsie Waters' European excursion this past summer: "A friend and I visited Major Alex Grimley and family in Bad Nauheim, Germany. We toured in Brussels, London, Paris and Italy. I am supervisor of art in the Georgetown (S. C.) City Schools and have been asked to have two exhibits of my own work this spring."

Jane Thompson Slocomb writes, "We've been busy taking care of our Lucy's 'baby sister' who turned out to be a baby brother. He was born on December 15, just in time for income tax exemption—name, John Guy."

Peggy Miller Reynolds and Jeanne Hays Dell have recently had a "reunion" in Hagerstown, Md. . . . Another Marylander is Harriet Showell Bald who writes that she is finally settled in her own new home, address: Rugby Hall Estates, Arnold, Maryland.

At one of these "Olympics" we expect to see the name of Peggy Naira Dworshak whose athletic accomplishments include golf, swimming and skiing! Peggy has a two year old daughter who has already learned to swim.

Sons and daughters for '46 include: born July 27, Whitaker Holland, son of Cecil Mears Turner; October 20, John Otto, son of Anne Armstrong Piepenbrink; and on November 6, Rives Pollard, daughter of Peggy Pollard Rea. Lois McIntyre Hebard and family have moved to Detroit, Michigan from Florida. Last May, her second daughter, Diane, was born. Nancy is 5 years old.

Bitsy Trigg Moore is now Mrs. Claire H. Gannon, Jr. and is living in Italy, Texas. Bitsy has a new baby boy!

We're happy that Jean Diakins Thomson and her son are on the road to recovery. Both Jean and her 13 months old Bobby have been hospitalized during January and February. In spite of this, Jean says they worked in a trip to Ft. Bragg to see Betty Bryant Anspach and her young daughter.

## 1947

Class Secretary: Alice Wilson Matlock (Mrs. Stanton Falls), 2518 Marlinton, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Joan Myers Foster and her husband,



Art, were lucky enough to be in Bermuda while the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh were visiting the island. She says that it was very exciting and that they were able to take a lot of pictures of the Royal Couple.

Jane Vreeland Vreeland, daughter Lindy and husband visited the College in January. They were en route from Ft. Sill. Jane's husband is out of the army now and they are temporarily at Jane's home in Ridgewood, N. J.

Betsy John Forrest Dunwoody said in her Christmas note that she and her husband, Brooke, are living in Miami where he has a drug store. Betsy's little boys keep her very busy. Brooke, Jr. is just over 2 years old now and John, an "old" 4 mouths! Betsy loves getting M. B. C. news and says she'd like to see all of her classmates again. The Dunwoody's address is 961 N. W. 41st Ave.

Elizabeth Dunn Barnes writes that she and Tom have a little girl born September 3, 1953. They have named her Barbara Elizabeth.

Margaret Churchman Moffett's second daughter was born on February 8.

Laura Jane Atkinson May and husband, Phil, are living in Richmond where Phil is going to school and managing his father's drug store.

Myrna Williams Vest reports the purchase of a new house in July.

Mary Ann Thackston Anderson's daughter, Kathy was born on July 2. Her family now consists of Ginger, Ford and Kathy. Parents are fine!

Joan Craig Lee sent us an adorable picture (see page 20) of her young daughter, Carolyn Craig, giving Mary Estes Cumming's, '48, young son, Jimmy, a big hug. The occasion was a weekend visit of the Cummings to the Lees. Joan also reported an M. B. reunion when she, Marion Seitz Plitt, Evelyn Cox Washington, and Courtney Plaskitt Hansen had lunch together recently. .

## 1948

Class Secretary: Peggy Harris Milligan (Mrs. Frederick M.), 3818 Montview Drive, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

As Liz Blanchard Wilgus wrote, "The last issue of the NEWS LETTER looked as if the glorious class of '48 was mostly deceased." I'm glad to say that judging from the many letters I've received this time the members of the old class are very much alive and happy! Hedda couldn't have more scoops than I. For instance: on Feb. 2, Dottie Estep Clawson and John became the parents of twin sons, John Estep Clawson and James Rogers Clawson! Also in February Jacques Siler became a mathematical assistant at the Johns Hopkins University Research Laboratory in Silver Spring, Md. A year ago last November, Jacques went to Washington, D. C. to work as a cartographic aid at the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. Sounds as if her occupations are most interesting! Once in a while Jacques sees Helen DeVore Mattenson, who is living in Rockville, Md. Helen and husband have an

"adorable new house and a darling baby boy." Jacques, full of news, also wrote that Margie Brown Hartwell, Ed, and their two little girls, Lynn, 3½, and Kathy, 1, moved back to Jasper, Tex., last summer after residing in Alexandria.

Martha Godwin Saunders' second son was born December 15, and Mary Sue Grosso Clarke spent Christmas in the hospital since "Chuck" (Charles Wilson Clarke) arrived December 23. See page 20 for two definite images of Mary Sue. It's too early to tell about Chuck! In addition to housekeeping Mary Sue has been organist and choir director at Bon Air Methodist Church for the past two years. Living nearby are Eloise Cuthbert Stovall, Margaret Getty Wilson, Martha Higgins Fishburne, and Betsy Berry Williamson. They and Mary Sue have formed a bridge club and between biddings they always divulge any news from the old Alma Mater.

To balance the above mentioned predominance of baby boys, especially Dottie's twins, we have some twin girls to announce! They are Sara and Beth McClure, daughters of Tom and Betty Jordan McClure. They also were born on December 15. Betty really keeps busy with the twins and Ann Thomas, who is 2. They are living in Lexington now.

Back to Liz Wilgus, she says that her two little girls have not been mentioned in the NEWS although Rochelle Elizabeth (Shelley) was born August 6, 1951, and Anne Gay was a year old on December 24. By the way, Liz, Jim, and the girls are residing in Rocky Mount, N. C. Liz also wrote that Jeannette Parham's engagement has been announced and that she will be married in April. The lucky man is Robert Dominick Duke.

Mark Canby Carroll, son of Charles and God Canby Carroll, was a year old on October 16. He's their second boy. Charles Francis, Jr., (Chuckie) is 3. Ged and Charles now are living in a new home at 35 Pine Manor Drive, Little Rock, Ark. A neighbor is Flo Harris Hinson (Class of '47). Ged often sees Babe Bellingrath Jones and Robin Miller, who is working at the revenue office. Robin, Pat Burroughs Withrow, Ged, and Fran Hurley Johnson, who was visiting her parents, had a gay old reunion during the Christmas holidays. Speaking of Fran, she wrote from Gallatin, Tenn., where she and Carroll are living. Her little boy, Carroll Johnson III, was a year old in December. Fran added that Barbara Sterrett Ballantyne had a little girl in December.

Emmy Griffin Buchanan is now a Texan. Her address is 1025 Madeline, El Paso. Emmy and Walter's children are Walter III (Buddy), 3½, and Peg, 9 months (at time of writing in February). Walter is from Ardmore, Okla.

Betty Barnett Lombard wrote from Niagara Falls, N. Y., where she and Charlie are living. Charlie is with DuPont. Their daughter, Allison, was a year old in February. Betty added that Charlie may be transferred to Wilming-

ton, Del., this summer; so they will be nearer home—North Carolina.

Betty Roberts returned from Europe last August, and since then has been to California and Washington, D. C. In Washington she attended Helen Atkeson's wedding on December 29. Helen and William F. Phillips of New England were married in the Bethlehem Chapel of the National Cathedral. (The alumnae office received the following news from Helen in March. "Bill works for Merck and his company transferred to the eastern New York area, exclusive of the metropolitan area, with Albany as headquarters. We found a wonderful house here and like Albany very much. I am already involved with such enterprises as Cub Scouts (for which I am a Den Mother), raising hamsters, selling flower seeds to win a gun holder and all the other things that living with a 9 year old boy require. Betty is 14 and presents a totally different set of activities no less strenuous. It's fun and I love it and the presence of the children adds to our happiness.") Helen's new address is 2 Schuyler Road, Westmere Estates, Albany 3, N. Y. Betty's sojourn with Special Service in Europe would fill a book. She went everywhere—England, Scotland, Ireland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Spain, Tangiers, Gibraltar, Italy, Vienna, Austria, Paris, Algiers. The latter sounds most exciting, for Betty took a CAMEL ride on the Sahara AND was caught in a sand storm AND nearly froze! On a calmer trip she saw the tulips in Holland at Easter and went skiing "on all fours" in the Austrian and German Alps. Her greatest love, however, was Munich! In addition she almost visited Czechoslovakia unknowingly and "probably would have become an international incident." We're glad you're home, Bet.

A future Mary Baldwin girl, we hope, was born to Jane Hammond Jervey and Herbert on December 17. Her name is Catherine Fitzsimons Jervey. For the past two years, by the way, Jane has been teaching nursery school in Columbia, S. C. Their address is 3503 Hanson Road. Jane added that every few months she exchanges visits with Vera Wall Dunlevie and her daughter, Kathryn, in Atlanta.

Heard from Shirley Burlingame Batchelder, who has a 9 month old daughter, Linda. She, husband, and Linda are residing in Courtland, N. Y. She wrote that Buck Page Wardle had her third little girl in December. The girls are Barbie, Revie, and Pamela Jean.

Certainly was nice to have a note from Pam Burnside Gray, who is living in Waverly, Va. She, Elmon, and their three children had just returned from Nassau when she wrote in February. A trip there to see Pam's parents is their annual vacation. The children are Kay, 4 years old, Garland, 2½, and Bruce, 8 months.

Providence, R. I. is the home of David Hinman Eubank and Harold. Harold is Research Associate at Brown University in the physics department and received

his Ph. D. there last June. Their little boy, Porter, is nearly 15 months old.

Lill *Richardson* Hall has seen quite a few '48ers and has heard of others. As you read in the last issue Janey *Martin* Bloom now has three girls, Betsy and Barbara, twins, and Noel. Now she and Earl have a new house! Betsy *Aycock* Phillips and Sid are living in Forrest City, Ark. They have one son, Lill saw Elinor *Wethersby* McCorkle and Pope during Christmas festivities. She describes their 8 month old Ruth Elinor as "adorable." Anne *Shannon* Robinson also is living in Memphis. She and Joe have one son and one daughter and a new house, "all beautiful."

Mena *Anderson* Burns also is residing in Memphis. Lill had lots of news about alumnae of other classes, but since we are pushed for space, we'll have to omit them this time. However, we must add that Lill's little tow-headed boy, Josh, is a handsome one judging from his pictures.

On December 27, 1952, Jerre *Fite* Currie married Hugh B. Jones, Jr.; and on their wedding trip they went by to see Louise *German* Johnston in Kansas City, Mo. Jerre's little girl, Paula, is now six years old. Louise and Doug have three boys and are planning to move to Nashville this spring.

Did you know that two members of the class of '48 married John Wilsons? They did. Margaret Getty's husband is John E. Wilson; and Bobbe Cline's is John Richard Wilson. Margaret sent us a picture of her Peggy—cute as can be! She also enclosed a clipping announcing the engagement of Betsy Harris and Jamie Meeklin Smith. Betsy, you remember, left Mary Baldwin in '45 and is a graduate of the University of Virginia Hospital School of Nursing. The prospective bridegroom attended Davidson and U. Va. Margaret had heard from Kitty *Adair* Woods, who is planning a trip home to Richmond in July. Her children are Kathy, 4; Nancy, 2½; and Page, about 7 months.

Durrelle *Bishop* Lemon wrote us, too. She and Therian are residing in Prairie Village, Kan. Their little girls are Sally, 3, and Susan, 3 months. Prairie Village is a suburb of Kansas City, by the way. Durrelle added that their name is in the phone book in case any of you pass through. She and Jean Bailey met at an alumnae meeting of Pi Beta Phi some time ago and were surprised to find that they are "sisters." Durrelle was a member at Texas U.

Ellen *Esckridge* Groseclose is teaching again this year in Richmond. She and Bill went home to Pulaski for the Christmas holidays. Dottie *Hill* Jeffris and George are living in Fort Worth and are rearing two authentic Texans, Jim, 4, and Bob 1½. Last fall they and Ann *Doyle* Hopps and her husband, Howard, visited Santa Fe. Ann and Howard live in Oklahoma City. Their daughter, Elizabeth, will be 2 this spring.

Anne *Monyham* Chambers sent a newsy letter. She and Walter have two little girls, "Miss Anne," who was born July

22, 1953, and Becky, age 4. Last summer they moved into a new house, 1227 Bundy Court, New Castle, Ind. She sent us some news, too, of Lettallou *Garth* Whittington who has two boys and a new house in Houston. Harriet *McLean* Slaughter and husband, Robert Slaughter, Jr., have a son, Robert III, born Nov. 24, 1952, and a new house in Orange, Va. Betty Sue *Gaston* Hairfield, '49, has a son, Beverly, Jr. She and Bev, Sr., and their little one are living in Morganton, N. C.

Phyllis *Strock* Goloway and Ed are residing in Alexandria, Va. Lib *Hardin* Taylor has a new daughter born in November. She is named for her mother—Elizabeth Hardin Taylor. Mary Lawson is Lib's and Ed's other daughter.

Margaret *Hamilton* Holley (Mrs. R. J.) moved last spring to London. We are not sure whether it is London, England, or otherwise. Jean *Wallace* Blount wrote from Columbia, S. C., that she is the mother of two sweet little girls, Dottie, 3, and Judy, 15 months. Jean finds time though, to work on the cancer drive, YWCA drive, the Community Chest fund and her garden club.

Claire *Love* Bennett wrote that hers and Charles' little son, Charles Thomas III, celebrated his first birthday on January 31.

That's about all for this time. Did see Sue *Persinger* Nowlin when she came home for the wedding of one of her twin brothers. She and John have a little girl and are living in Lynchburg. Rose *Harrison* writes every once in a while. She also is living in Lynchburg since she is still teaching. Bea *Taylor* Currin and Waddy have another little girl. Last fall I had the privilege of meeting Miss Marie Morgan Ellington, Jamie and Merry *Key* Ellington's young daughter. At the time she was only 8 months old but was full of personality and charm. She's pretty, too! Lucy *Acord* Ludwig's daughter, Lucy Lloyd was born on January 8. Helen Codington is married to Dr. Roderick Macdonald, Jr., and Roderick Macdonald, III is almost a year old now. Helen lives at 1401. Prichard Place, Fort Knox, Kentucky. Charlotte *Hanger* Dixon sent in this news of herself and family. "My mother, my husband, two boys and I have moved to Mint Springs, Va., where we bought a new home last summer. I am kept very busy with my two sons, of whom I'm sending pictures."

Thanks, everyone, for writing. Wish I had time to write each of you a long, personal letter. Don't forget to send news for the next issue.

## 1949

### FIFTH REUNION

Class Secretary: Bobbie *Minter* Dille (Mrs. J. A., Jr.), 2220 Lincoln Ave., S. W., Roanoke, Va.

Several quick months have passed since our last NEWS LETTER so I know all of you are anxious for more information concerning our classmates. Before giving you the comments I have at hand, I do

want to remind you of our fifth reunion which is coming up soon! Yep, it's our fifth alright—hard to believe in one way and yet in another it seems like fifty since we've all been together at ole M. B. C. We can certainly have a wonderful time so I do hope as many of you that can will join us in Staunton in June. The Roanoke girls are making plans to go so don't disappoint us. Be there, won't you?

I heard from Kitty *Blakey* Taylor back in early December. She and Ed live in Greenville, S. C. and have a little Edward Coles Taylor, Jr., who is nearly 2 years old now. Kitty has decided she must be getting old—she says, "More and more often I find myself thinking about the wonderful times we had at M. B. C." Don't we all, Kitty, so guess you aren't growing old alone!

Also heard from Tawny *Dexter* Koch in December. She and Harlan are living in Arlington, Va., but expect overseas orders in the Spring. She said, "Sorry your son isn't older or he and Donnie might have a romance some day. She's 2½." Tawny also sent news of several other classmates. Helen Houghton had been by to see her and Tawny says she seems so interested in her work. "Still haven't seen Mike *Heydenreich* Rush but, of course, she's busy with her new baby." While in Charlottesville last Fall Tawny and Harlan visited Robin *Carr* Wingfield and Ed, and Robin's folks. Thanks for all the news, Tawny!

Janice *Trinkle* Keener writes from Parkersburg, W. Va. that she's afraid she's become just a housewife and mother. (Jan, I can think of nothing better or a more time consuming job!) She went on to say she has a new home and a baby boy, born on June 12, 1953, named Joseph Edwin. Jan became a provisional member of the Junior League this year—she says this takes up what spare time she has.

Janice sent news of Kitty *Callahan* Williams and Aileen *Judd* Vreeland. Aileen has two children, one of each sex. She and her family spent last year in Fairbanks, Alaska where her husband was stationed, but are now back in their own home in Oxford, Maryland. Kitty's husband works for the Internal Revenue, so Jan says, and they have a daughter.

Bettie Gayle *Thomas* Jacobsen wrote me the latest concerning her and Jane (Winks) *Schrell* Leachman. "Bee Gee" says, "Glad to hear your sewing is a success. I plan to take a course in the Spring. Am doing volunteer work for the cerebral palsy clinic for this area now and enjoy it very much." Winks' newest baby boy looks just like Jackie, so Bettie says. They were all home to Lawrenceville for a visit in February.

"Hi—Here I am in Richmond"—says Betsy Lankford. "I got the job at the Medical College, and started February 1st. So far so good. I think I'm going to like it here. I've talked to Margaret Ann *Newman* Avent on the phone and hope to have lunch with her. I don't know where Hootie *Lawson* Craighill



lives and Margaret Ann says she has no phone." Betsy's address in Richmond is: 3408 Hawthorne Ave.—phone No. 68694.

How nice it was to hear from Margaret (Rags) Ragland Thompson. She says, "My husband, Bill, is a lawyer in Forest, which is about an hour's drive from home. He is also in politics and is serving his second term as representative in the Mississippi legislature. We have two darling children—a little girl, "Dusty," age 2½, and a two month old baby boy, Bill, Jr. We are staying in Jackson during the three or four months the legislature's in session and having a wonderful time. See Dot McNeil occasionally. She is busy teaching in one of the junior high schools." "Rags" ended by saying of M. B. C.—"Those were wonderful days and I hope someday my little daughter will want to go to school there."

A perfectly darling announcement came from Cynthia Betts Johnson, telling of the birth of a "wee bairn," in Edinburgh, Scotland. Her name is Kimberly Ann. Congratulations to you and Bud, Cyn!

I can't find a letter I received from Jean ("Whip") Whipple Dutton some time ago to verify her address. She and Ben have moved to Louisiana.

Margaret Hooks Wilson says she and Rollin are still fixing up their house, slowly but surely. She sent me news of Mary Duke Blouin's mother's death in the Fall. We all offer our condolences to you, Mary, and your sister, Gloria. Margaret also said you have added a baby girl to your family. Is this right, Mary?

News from Florida comes from Harriet Sipple Rich. Harriet says, "Gene and I have two children now, Jean Ann, who was 2 January 23, and James Siple, who was five months, January 25. They are a handful but such a lot of fun and so sweet and good." Harriet's husband is in the real estate business and they have a new house. Harriet sends word of Annette Peter Neal. She and Bob have two children. Ash will be 3 in June and Robin is a year old. Thanks for writing Harriet!

Jane Banner Kelly says the only news she has is almost a year old. She's speaking of Robert Murdock Kelly, Jr. Glad to hear of your son, Jane.

Mercee Pendleton Watt continues to be busy with her sewing class. Merceer and I have often said how shocked you all would be if you could see us sewing on our coats and dresses. It's amazing how well we're doing so we advocate each of you taking a course!

Ann McLean Branch has a new baby girl to report. She is Barbara Ann, born in January. Big Ann's had a bad time—right after the baby arrived both of her boys were real sick. One had pneumonia and the other had bronchitis and later a tonsilectomy. All are doing fine now and Ann looks well too.

Other new class babies are Clifford Dickson, son of Betty Fugate Moore, born on August 17; David Emory, son of Vera Canada Lupu, born on Decem-

ber 17, and Joan Lee, daughter of Joan Moore Woltz, born on March 9.

Annie Bruce Milner Bishoprie, her two daughters, Nanette and Suzanne, and husband are living in Chapel Hill, N. C. where Dr. Bishoprie is instructor in internal medicine and metabolic diseases at the Duke University School of Medicine.

It was grand to hear from Kitty Makepeace Bradford at Christmas. The Bradfords have been in Hawaii for four years, lucky people! Kitty writes: "the Bradfords will be arriving in New England in June, the Hawaiian adventure over. We had a difficult time deciding to leave these glamorous, livable islands, but concluded at last that we should move on. Exactly where we will be, or what we will be doing is still unknown; we will, however, be somewhere near the east coast. The school life continues to be a busy, but pleasant one. Teaching literature to the seniors is more intellectually stimulating, and more interesting than was the work with the eighth graders. We still feel that Hawaiian people are among the finest anywhere, and we know that we will miss them."

Guess this is all the news for this issue. I do hope we can have a big reunion in June—plan on being there. My kindest regards to each of you. Don't forget to write during the summer and early Fall—I need your help in writing a newsy column!

## 1950

Class Secretary: Nancy Cohen, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio.

News time again! Let's see what the members of our class have been doing recently:

Nancy Finch Pierson and her husband Frank are thoroughly enjoying their tour of duty at Fort Benning, Ga. And it's a good thing, too, for they will definitely be stationed there until March of 1955. Nancy writes that there are several other Mary Baldwin girls on the base—Becky Danziger Snell, '52, Page Wilson Kelly, '51, and Jo Jack Pond Lazelle, '53.

Flo Talmage is now a married woman! Flo's wedding was on February 6—and the fortunate young man who won her for his bride is Joe Landwehr. Here is a first-hand report of her marriage, "I had a lovely wedding, a wonderful wedding trip and am happily settled down now in a lovely apartment. We're living in El Dorado, Arkansas where Joe has started working with Lion Oil Company. Our address is: 613 East 3rd St." Congratulations, Flo!

You know, some of our girls are raising wonderful families. Betsy White Richards added a new son, Lawrence Herbert, to her household in January. Marian Jones Bratton also has two boys. Her newest one was born in January, too, Jane Reynolds Wilson's son, Bradford Reynolds, was born January 12 at El Paso, Texas; Kate Scott Jacob reports the birth of a son on February 6 and Kent Wysor Ivey, a son Franklin Wysor, last November.

I understand that Nancy Kirchner has accepted a position as Girl Scout Executive Director in Winchester, Virginia. Nancy took a fabulous flying trip to Europe last fall. "Just returned from ten wonderful weeks in Europe. Saw Joan Mertz in Nurnberg and Peggy Gignilliat, '53, in Paris. Joan has a wonderful job buying ladies accessories for European Exchange Services (PX's). She has had a wonderful opportunity to see most of Europe in the past two years."

Marie McClure is doing a very efficient job at Western State Hospital in Staunton. Marie has been employed as a psychologist at this institution since 1950.

Betsy Knott Knight and her husband are living in Winston-Salem now.

Big doings in Charlotte, North Carolina—Betty Lankford Peek and her husband have moved into their newly constructed church and are quite thrilled with it. Dick gave a dedicatory recital on the new organ at the church, and he received wonderful reviews. The Peeks recently entertained the Gordon Pages when they were in Charlotte with the Chapel Choir.

Seems as if a basketball game at Davidson one week end culminated in a Class of '50 party. Margaret Barrier, the Peeks, and Wheat Shahan Wilcox and her husband were all there. Wheat's husband is finishing a pre-med course and will enter the medical school at Emory University in the fall. Wheat is working in the alumni office at Davidson College while her husband is a student there.

Exciting news from Betty Jean Gilmer! Her engagement to Philip Hobaro Young has been announced and the wedding will take place in June.

Pollyann Scattergood Anderson writes: "I have two wonderful little boys, 2½ and 1 year. My husband is a Chance Vought Aircraft engineer and we are buying our home and living in Dallas, Texas and love it very much."

Frances Jesse Rust sent along this news: "We expect to be in our new house by Christmas. Still teaching Spanish at Mt. Vernon High School."

Betsy Carr Smith writes, "I have a 24 hour day job taking care of two children (which by the way I like!); the youngest is 3 months, a boy and a junior. The only outside work I'm doing now is being president of a local music club."

Patricia Atkinson Twiner says: "Charles and I are now living in Salina, Kansas. He is a pilot in the U. S. Air Force and, of course, we don't know how long we shall be here. We married last March and have lived in Oklahoma, Texas, and Kansas!"

Fran Costello Roller was named "Mrs. Staunton" in a contest sponsored and conducted by the Virginia Gas Distribution Corporation. By winning, Fran was chosen as the top homemaker in the Staunton area.

I can supply a bit of news about myself this time. I have a new job. After spending a very pleasant year working as



a clinical psychologist at the University of Virginia Hospital, I recently accepted a position as resident counselor on the staff of the Dean of Women at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio.

Please keep the news coming. Let's share our latest exploits with all our classmates! Thanks again for your cooperation.

## 1951

Class Secretary: Ouida Caldwell Davis, (Mrs. James H.), 5 Fern Road, Charleston 4, West Virginia.

Before covering the latest happenings of our class, let me thank all of you for being so wonderful to take the time to write, especially the newsy long letters. This is my last column until the Air Force lets us settle at home once again.

Best wishes are in store for Patty Andrew. She was married on December 26th to George Royden Goodson, Jr. Patty and Royden were married in Warwick, Virginia.

Our Lost Souls of '51 are beginning to dwindle. Coralee Courtenay has been found! In a wonderful letter from Ann Alexander Spencer she tells me that Coralee is now Mrs. Ralph Walker and her address is 6181 Karen Circle, Fort Worth, Texas. She has been married since 1947 and they have a daughter, Libby Anne. Ann writes that she and Coralee have had several visits together and they spent the entire time talking about M.B.C. More news via Ann's letter—Margie Johnson is now Mrs. Jack McCarter and is living in Dallas. Patsy Brown is teaching school in Columbus, Ohio, and is engaged. Who is the lucky man, Patsy? Thanks again Ann for all the news. I do appreciate the time you took to write as I know you are busy with two children and Junior League work.

Joan Larrick Rule is quite happy. Her husband returned from Korea last summer and is now out of the service. Bill has a hardware store in Clifton Forge where Joan and he are now settled. The picture of Joan, their daughter is precious so I do hope that there will be space in the NEWS LETTER for it.

Betty Ann Williams Bradford gets the "medal" this issue for the longest letter—a grand six page one! Thank you very much. Betty and her husband are also traveling with the Air Force. When she wrote the letter they were in Lubbock, Texas but were leaving Texas on the 25th of February so when writing Betty, it's Mrs. Ralph E. Bradford, Jr., 4000 Lenwood Road, Columbia, South Carolina. Since Ralph has been in the Air Force they have seen quite a bit of the country. Good luck in the Air Force and who knows we may end up at the same base sometime.

Betty wrote that she had hoped to see Ann Poole when in North Carolina, but found she was working in Washington and was going to Europe. How was your trip Ann? We would love to hear.

Ann Raul McCain is living in Den-

mark, South Carolina. Her husband is in the real estate business there. They have a son a year and a half old.

Joan James Chamblin and her husband are living in Columbia and she is a secretary at the Fort Jackson Hospital.

Best wishes to Stuart Moseley Ellis. She and Inman Ellis were married this past Fall after Inman returned from Korea. They are now living in Savannah, Georgia, at 3801 Habersham, Apt. 2.

Stacie Caul is still busy with her class of Mexicans and we hope when she comes East this summer, she will get a chance to stop by and see M.B.C. As a matter of fact any of you that are anyplace near Staunton should stop by and see the grand "facelifting" job. It is truly beautiful and quite modern. The lounges in the dorms are lovely and I wonder how we ever got along without them when we were there!

Lost Souls: We only have two more to find, so can anyone help us out? Does anybody know the addresses of Betty Beck or Maria Elena Casseres?

Mary Lou Christie Schroeder has sent us a new address, 416 Elmhurst Rd., Utica, N. Y., as well as news of her daughter, Martha Louise, born on November 15. Mary Lou registers a complaint: "In the almost five years since I left Mary Baldwin some of my classmates about whom I'd like so much to hear, have not been mentioned once!" We haven't heard from them either. Mary Lou, please note "non-writers-in," we want to hear from you.

Betty Choate's marriage to Benjamin Franklin Matthews, II took place on the 25th of November in Charlotte, N. C. Betty is living in Gastonia.

Another North Carolinian now is Betty Harwood Copland who is living in Durham at 2405 University Drive.

Alletta Jervey Hudgens writes, "Dick is hard at work in his sophomore year in Medical School. Mrs. Hudgens as teacher of 5th and 6th grades, having been promoted from 3rd and 4th, sends all good wishes."

Polly Silling's engagement to the Reverend Marion Lee Simmons of Mt. Solon, Va. was announced in March. She will be married in June.

Suk Hyun Lee Vaspapoli's son Dennis Lee was born on November 27 in Arlington, Va.

Carolyn Pleasants Eden writes from Auburn, Ala., that husband Tommy is working hard on his master's degree and she is working hard on young Tommy.

My young son and I joined Jim at Dover Air Force Base, Dover, Del., the first week in March so please any of the class who happen to be going by the way of Dover, stop in. We would love to see you.

Those of you that have news that you haven't written, you can send it to my home address in Charleston and I will have it forwarded on to the next secretary. We are looking forward to letters from everyone.

## 1952

Class Secretary: Elsie Nelms, 17 N. Boulevard, Richmond, Va.

I can hardly believe that the time for another NEWS LETTER is here. Has it really been two whole years since the class of '52 was spending this time of the year getting ready for Commencement and frantically cramming for comprehensives? We four M.B.C.ers here at 17 N. Boulevard have just had a siege of reminiscence about those wonderful last few months at Mary Baldwin. We actually envy those seniors burning the midnight oil over notes (that seemed so clear just a year ago) and fretting over whether the old white organdy will do for Class Day. The whole class of '52 sends best wishes and hearty congratulations to the class of '54 a month in advance!

Henrico County had a Teachers' Workshop in January and M.B.C. was certainly well represented. Approximately 17 alumnae were present and a reunion was held on the spot. A few of those on the scene were Lynn Lytton Hamer, Patsy DeHardit Hicks, Betty Scott, Ann Lee, Ann Paulett, Ann Fowlkes Dodd, Emma Martin, Doris Liddle, Elma Rollins, Betsy Bearer, Betty Stall, and Betsy Booth.

Jean Amory is planning to be married in June to I. Leake Wornom. She received her ring during the Christmas holidays and it really is a beauty! Ann Fowlkes Dodd and Joy Chapoton will be in the wedding. Joy is currently teaching 25 three and four year olds. She writes that she saw Margaret Kyle Hopkins and Wally in Beaumont during Christmas; also sends news of Pat Cavin King. Pat's husband, John, will graduate from med school in June but plans are still indefinite as to where he will intern. Hope the east coast will lure them away from Texas for a while at least.

A little news from last fall that missed the last NEWS LETTER . . . Dotty Smith Purse was living with her mother while Bill was overseas. Dot and Bill have a daughter, Mary Mingo Purse . . . Kat Hatley Young and E. P. were living in Japan where E.P. was stationed . . . Susie Tucker Rathbun was teaching in El Paso after touring Europe . . . Patty Stafford Daniel and Frank have two daughters, Anne and Beth . . . Patty wrote that Irene Barry Reilly and Dick were living in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. The address was 532 N.E. 5th Avenue . . . Received such a nice note from Peggy Moore's mother. These mothers really do lend a helping hand when it comes to newsgathering. She wrote that Peggy left for Europe last August and spent the winter in Paris. She stayed at Reid Hall, the American Educational Center where an M.B.C. alumna, Sara Porter, '15, is in co-charge. Peggy was having a grand and glorious time and planned to study French and Art . . . I realize some of this news may be a little dated by now but thought it most interesting. Hope some of you who have

gotten out of touch will send a card to let us know just what you're doing these days.

Margaret McLaughlin is off on another jaunt. She left February 5th for North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Florida. After that her travels will include Ohio, Indiana and Michigan. That trip will last until the first of May when she will return to Staunton to settle down until graduation. Mag is a mighty busy girl and will certainly be a walking travelog by the time all these journeys are over for the year. Ann Schlosser has returned to Art School in Philadelphia after a most successful Fall as field representative.

Anne Stuart Richardson has a daughter, Anne Dabney. Anne Dabney's mama is in Saltillo now and plans to go to Japan in June to join Phil . . . Betty Blount *Holider* and Bobby are living in Atlanta and have recently bought a house . . . Marie Payne is bookkeeper at St. Anne's School. She loves the school and her work there. Has been there since last April. Marie's sister, Nancy, is a sophomore at Mary Baldwin this year . . . Another wedding in the offing . . .

Ruth Ann Worth will marry Rosecoe Puckett next Fall. Ruth Ann is living and teaching in Richmond this year. Rosecoe graduated from University of Virginia and is in the Army. He is stationed in Richmond at present. Ruth Ann says plans for a wedding in the fall are most indefinite; it may be sooner! . . . Emie Griffin, who is now Mrs. Miller Eason, sent a Christmas card with a grand wedding picture on it. Needless to say, Emie was a lovely bride. The Easons' address is 4301 S. Dale Mabry, Tampa 9, Fla.

Mimi Brown is working at the TV and Radio Station in St. Joseph, Mo. She writes that TV makes the office more fascinating than ever . . . Mary Jane Gray Hurley and Joe are living in Morrilton, Arkansas. The Hurleys moved there from Camden last year. Gray writes that they have bought a house and redecorated and remodeled it "from stem to stern." She also adds, "The only flop was one bedroom in which I took paint brush in hand and went to work" . . . Ann Paulett has moved to a new apartment. Her address is 53 Malvern Ave., Apt. 5, Richmond, Va. . . . Dotty *Snodgrass* Goldsborough sent a long, chatty letter. She and Les have a daughter, Carol, born June 2nd, 1953. Les was released from the Marines February 26th and the Goldsboroughs are living at 119 Hawthorn Road, Baltimore 10, Md. . . . Joan White and Margie Sykes spent a week-end with us some time ago and we all had a grand time comparing teaching notes and catching up on the news. Margie spent her Christmas vacation in New York and had a wonderful time . . . Speaking of New York, Julia Budwell and Jessica Gilliam gave us quite a surprise by appearing on television shows from the big city.

Well, that seems to finish up the news for another NEWS LETTER. Keep the cards and letters rolling in, so we'll have a whole new batch of news for the

next issue. It's so wonderful to hear from you that I really feel sort of selfish to receive such nice correspondence. Wish I could print every letter so our whole class could enjoy reading so many of the things that we just don't have room for here. Hope as many of you as possible will plan on attending this year's Commencement. After all, it's been quite a while since last June and there are thousands of things left from the reunion that we have to finish chatting about. Many thanks again to all of you for helping me play reporter.

Postscripts from the alumnae office: Our sincere sympathy is extended to Jessica Gilliam whose father died in March . . . Fifty-one students from six of the eleven schools at Western Reserve have been honored by the University with scholarships. Mary Wilson was one of the students from the School of Nursing so honored . . . Nancy Ann Gray graduated in June, 1953 from the University of Maryland with an A. B. in Home Economics . . . Ann Brown will leave Winston-Salem, N. C., right after Easter to take over her new job of Director of Christian Education for the First Presbyterian Church, Albany, Ga. Our best wishes go with you, "Annie B" . . . Engagements! Margaret King to Shelby Curlee Stanley, Jr.; Janet Russell to Clifton N. Bradley, Jr. . . . Marriages! Jean McCann is now Mrs. Calvin M. Whitesell and Pat Klein, Mrs. John Francis Manton . . . Births! Ann, daughter of Frances Watkins Knight and Laura Tucker, daughter of Helen Tilson Fletcher.

## 1953

### FIRST REUNION

Class Secretary: Margaret Garrett, Mary Baldwin College.

Greetings to all once again! Spring is upon us and I hope everyone in the class of '53 is planning on returning for our very first 'official' reunion. After so many nice letters and cards, it will be wonderful to see you all again — so PLEASE don't forget those important dates—May 29, 30, 31. Ethel Smeak is the reunion chairman for our class and I'm sure you will be hearing more of the details from her, but I just wanted to say we are expecting YOU!

Wedding bells are still playing the leading role in the news for our class it seems. On November 28 Jeanne Belle Sherrill was married to Robert Boggs. Jeanne and Bob, we understand, are living in Bermuda while he is stationed there and, needless to say, love it. In Charlottesville on December 19 Harriette Tobell became Mrs. William Walter Long, Jr., and the day after Christmas was the wedding day of Charlotte Sheffer Reid. In Christ Episcopal Church, San Antonio on February 27 was the wedding of Peggy Smith and John Carpenter Windsor, Jr. Also in the late fall was the marriage of Charleen Smith and Allan C. Wright.

Mimi Hill spent a wonderful summer abroad where she lived with a French family while taking French at the Uni-

versity of Grenoble. Speaking of school, Nancy Eaton is continuing her art work at the Moore Institute of Art, Science and Industry in Philadelphia and Wayne Hendricks is at the University of Alabama.

From Raleigh, N. C. comes word that Nancy Barron is doing a fine job as director of Religious Education at White Memorial Presbyterian Church. In Chapel Hill, N. C. Anne Wilmoth Cates is teaching fourth and fifth grades. We know you are busy, Anne! Henny Myers wrote she has a secretarial job with a plumbing and heating contractor in her hometown of Harrisburg, Pa. and her summer plans include a trip to California. Henny also wrote news of Gail Leap: "Gail has a marvelous job with United Air Lines in Newark, N. J., where she arranges trips and gets quite a few free ones herself." What a nice way to work!

It was grand to hear two members of our class have been elected officers in Alumnae Chapters. That is, Mary Barnett Beal is serving as the secretary-treasurer of the Charlotte, N. C. chapter and in Richmond, Betty Lou Gaudling will manage their budget as treasurer.

In Shawnee, Okla. Helen Harrod is the home service consultant for the Shawnee Division of Oklahoma Gas and Electric. Dora McDonald is teaching math in junior high school in Alice, Texas and in a Dallas high school we find Mary Anne Hein Ruse teaching English. Dabney Deane drops by when she isn't involved with her job at the Y.M.C.A. here in Staunton. She checks attendance at the Boy's Club, holds gym classes, helps with handicrafts and has even found time to renew her life saving card.

This must be an exciting time for our many brides-to-be. Ann Taylor's nengagement to John Conrad Hedrich was announced in February and Peggy Gignilliat is planning her marriage this spring to John Carswell. Pat Cook's engagement to Edward Hughes Jackson, Jr. was announced during the Christmas holidays and the wedding will take place following Ed's graduation from the Naval Academy in June. Pat was back for a week end this fall and some of our other visitors have been: Jane Tucker, Joan Martin Tuckwiler, Mary White, Mary Jo Shilling, Noi Peers (who brought news of her ex-roommate, Meg Dunbar Turner, now living in Memphis), Alice James Buck, Kitty Garrett McIntock, and Ethel Smeak, who returned for the Student Government Conference in March.

Children of the class: Jeff, son of Jane Laird Hammond, Elizabeth Ware, daughter of Blair and B. T. Eberhart Spillman and born February 16 in Baltimore was the son of Pat Wingfield Llewellyn. Congratulations proud parents!

This seems to be it for this issue. Please don't forget to keep your newsy letters coming and I do hope to see you all in May!

## 1954

Class Secretary: Mary Elizabeth Mason, Mary Baldwin College.

Time for the spring edition of the NEWS LETTER. Doesn't seem possible, does it? Here's the latest on the class of '54:

Betty Biggadike was married on October 20 to Carroll Dean Scroggin. They are now living in Fayetteville, Arkansas, and attending the University there.

Virginia (Gige) Eversole was married at Christmas to Ronald Herdman. They are making their home at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, while he attends the graduate school of L. S. U.

Betty Stallworth is now Mrs. Victor Henry Hanson, II. Betty also had a December wedding. They are now living in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, where both are studying at the University.

Ann Hadaway became Mrs. George Holman Greer on December 29. They are making their home in Lexington, Virginia. Ann commutes to M.B.C. for classes each day. George will graduate from Washington and Lee in June.

Norma Ball plans an April wedding. Her fiancé is Arthur Barnes Heuer. Both are attending the University of Virginia, from which they will be graduated in June.

Mary Baskin and Sam Hicks were married in December. Sam is studying geography at the University of Oklahoma.

Ann Broaduax's engagement to Robert Blakely has been announced. They are both seniors at the University of Alabama and plan to be married in August.

Mary Hornbarger Mustoe returned to M.B.C. second semester after a two year's absence. Her husband plans to come to Staunton to work in the near future. She is now classified as a Junior.

Pat Neister Plonk is the proud mother of a baby girl, Anne Hunter Plonk, born October 15.

On the engaged list are these girls who are still at M.B.C.: Pat Andrews to Ed Middlekauff—a Fall wedding is planned; Jessie Carr to Pat Haden (June 26); Cookie Hunter to Kenneth Murray (August 7); Ann Morgan to Joe Lanier; Betty Hirst to Clarence Virtue (June 16); Connie Headapohl to Lynn Pikaart; Jean Fear to Russell Clements (June 8); and Lee Pierce to Dave Mossa. Quite an impressive list, don't you think? Congratulations, girls!

Off to Europe this summer are Margie Becker, Wini Boggs, Sandra Wright, Julia Kester, and me! I sail June 30 and Wini sails July 2. We hope to cross paths in some exciting place—Paris maybe?

At elections held recently, Jean Fear was chosen May Queen with Jeanne Taylor and Cookie Hunter as her attendants. Sure do hope some of you can be here for the May Day exercises on Class Day.

That's all for this time. Keep writing in to the Alumnae Office—your news is our news and vice-versa! We always love to hear from you.

## 1955

Class Secretary, Tomlin Hornbarger, Mary Baldwin College.

The Class of '55 is short on news this time! We will appreciate any news that might be sent to us.

Barbara Howard is attending Katharine Gibbs School, but not for long as she plans to be married this summer.

Sissy Wynne is planning to visit us at graduation in May!

Two former members of our class visited us the week end of February 20. We were very glad to see Joanne Tannehill, who is attending the University of North Carolina and Barbara Schaefer, who is attending school in Arkansas.

## 1956

Class Secretary, Susan Andes, Mary Baldwin College.

"Good to see you again," and "what are you doing now?," have been the familiar cries of former classmates of '56 who have been back to visit us recently. Among those who have returned and exclaimed over the beauty and comfort of our new lounges are Jane Perkins, Mary Ann Sledge, and Lee Martin who came up from Alabama to surprise Shelby on her birthday.

A total of thirty-five dollars was collected from the sophomore class for the March of Dimes fund in memory of Jane Dieckmann.

Another of our class members has been claimed by the University of Texas. Sally Lander transferred there in February. We miss you, Sally!

Plans are now under way for a money making bridge party—proceeds to go to a class project for some worthy cause.

## In Memoriam

1880

Maggie Davidson Wiley

1886

Claudia Dykes Rice

1887

Mary Christian

1888

Frances Griffin Hanna

1889

Virginia Butternere Donehoo

Agnes Peniek

1892

Rosa Witz Hull

1894

Mary Morton Timberlake

1896

Sarah Henderson Bridges

1897

Carrie Maxwell Maxwell

1899

Rufie Pauline White Masters

1900

Mary Yost

1901

Elsie Hamilton Cathcart

1902

Evelyn Chase MacPherson

1904

Leola Kerr Willhelm

1905

Hattie Arnold Smith

1937

Sara Buchanan Silvers

We are happy to report the dedication of the Jennie Mae P. Williams Chapel of the Second Presbyterian Church of Little Rock, Ark. This honor has been conferred upon Jennie Mae Peck Williams, '87, in recognition of 40 years service as teacher of the Women's Bible Class, as first president of the Women's Auxiliary, and for her zealous labor "to promote religious education and build a spirit of friendly cooperation among groups of all ages in the Second Presbyterian Church."



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# Alumnae Art Exhibition



## Things to Remember:

1. We would like to have an entry from everyone, whether your art is a hobby or a profession.
2. Entries are limited to three (3) objects or pictures, done during the last five (5) years.
3. Any original creative product in the fields of **ceramics, painting, jewelry, wood or metal working, medical drawing, fashion illustration or design, and any other craft or art work** is eligible for exhibition.

## Instructions:

1. Watercolors and drawings must be matted appropriately and oil paintings framed.
2. Pack in sturdy box or crate which may be used for return shipping. You pay original charges to Staunton—we pay return charges.

**Address All Entries to:** The Art Department  
Mary Baldwin College  
Staunton, Virginia

**May 15 — Last day to receive entries**

**May 20 - 31 - Dates of Exhibition**

Please send any pictures and newspaper clippings that you may have concerning your art activities.

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Name of Exhibit:

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Exhibitor's Name:

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Exhibitor's Address:

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Price (if for sale):

Sample label to be attached to each entry

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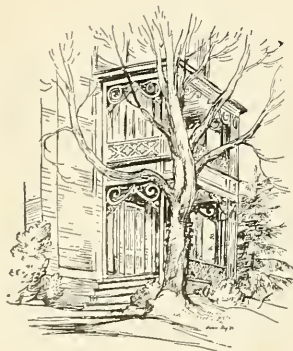
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